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Staff at the official launch of the Citizens Advice Digital Help Centre in Skelmersdale Concourse

## Digital Help Centre already making a vital difference

**MORE than 100 local people have already been helped to access vital benefits and other services via the Internet in just 10 weeks since the new Digital Help Centre opened in Skelmersdale.**

**The centre, run by Citizens Advice together with Macmillan Cancer Support, has also helped many to learn new IT skills – with 20 gaining qualifications so far – and there are already plans for more initiatives to help people in the near future.**

**It was officially opened by John Crompton, chair of Citizens Advice Lancashire West, who explained to guests that more and more benefit and support functions now require internet access.**

**He said: "Millions of people lack basic digital skills such as the ability to switch a computer on, use a mouse, send an email or find a web page. The skills deficit is all the more with the elderly.**

**"The inevitable result is that certain sections of our community can become digitally excluded. Examples would be applying for Blue Badges or Universal Credit, which will soon move from its pilot areas to a national roll out.**

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# CONVOY VETERAN'S FINAL JOURNEY

## Hero of treacherous Arctic missions passes away at 95 after heart attack

**A SKELMERSDALE veteran of the Arctic Convoys during the Second World War, who received a top medal from the Russians two years ago, has died at the age of 95.**

Report by **Henry James**

Jack Norman Hall served with the Royal Artillery on the merchant ships, which were part of the Arctic Convoys.

They made the treacherous journeys on the icy seas, while being hit by German aircraft and U-boats, to deliver vital supplies to the Soviet Union.

Jack was a gunner on the ships making the trips, which Winston Churchill said were "the worst journey in the world."

Two years ago the Champion reported on how Jack had been awarded the Medal of Ushakov by the Russians.

The then Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Doreen Stephenson presented him with the award at a special ceremony organised by West Lancashire Borough Council in 2015.

Jack's son, Norman, had to collect his medal from the Russian embassy in London and said at the time: "There was tight security at the embassy and the ambassador said that if it was not for the likes of my dad, the Russians would be speaking German now!"

Jack, who was also the holder of the Arctic Star and the Arctic Emblem medals, had been on ships which were torpedoed during the war.

On one occasion, while travelling from the north of Canada up to Russia, he spent 12 days on a lifeboat before being rescued.

Jack is survived by wife of 71 years, 92-year-old Marie and the couple had five sons and five daughters.

He also leaves 16 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, and three great-great grandchildren.

Jack, who had lived in Fairlie for 20 years, passed away following a heart attack. He had been in Birch Green care home for the last two months.

The veteran spent 14 years in the Royal Artillery, and in later life was also a long distance lorry driver for Walter W. Cullen in Kirkby.

In recent years, Jack had been involved with Skelmersdale Ex Services Association.

Jack pictured receiving his Medal of Ushakov from the then Mayor of West Lancashire, Councillor Doreen Stephenson in 2015

Son Norman said: "My dad did not speak much about the war, but was proud to get the medals, and was quick to praise the people he fought with too.

"He had been organising a birthday party for my mum but unfortunately passed away before her birthday."

A funeral service will be held for Jack at St Richard's RC Church in Liverpool Road, Skelmersdale at 11am on Monday, October 23.

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# Edge Hill pioneering 'caring' robots project

Report by **Henry James**

**EDGE Hill University's computer science department is building pioneering robots to help monitor and care for older people, patients and autistic children.**

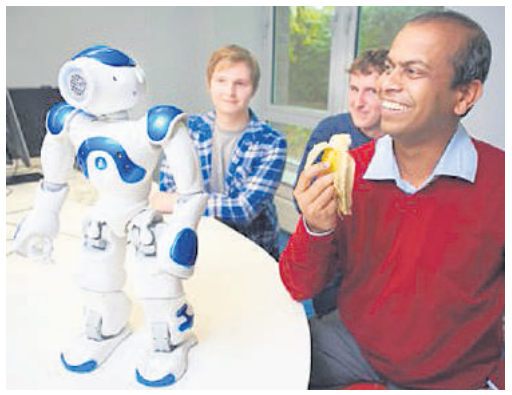
A team of students have spent the summer teaching Robbie, a toddler-sized robot, to recognise 90 common objects as well as human actions and emotions.

Thanks to the availability of large-scale annotated images, Robbie can now learn from these images and then use his eyes to recognise items and actions, guess the gender and estimate the age of the person in front of him and identify if they're sad, surprised, happy, angry or disgusted.

He speaks aloud and will say phrases such as, "you are eating a banana" and "you are a male, aged 37 and you are happy today".

It's hoped Robbie and robots like him will be able to become companions to the young and old and monitor their daily activities, anything from how many times and when they have a drink, to what they eat and any activities they complete.

Ardhendu Behera, senior lecturer in computer science who is leading the project, said: "There is lots of research involving robots and they are already used widely in industrial applications such as manufacturing, service sectors and health



Ardhendu Behera with Robbie the robot

procedures such as keyhole surgery.

"However they are not yet used in the social care sector where we see huge potential for development and growth. Robots like Robbie could be used in so many situations and settings to monitor vulnerable people.

"Initially we see Robbie being most useful in residential care homes where he can be a companion to residents and can keep an eye on them, watching and recording what they eat, drink, if they take their medication, their emotions and more.

"Similarly we think Robbie would be very helpful in the diagnosis of learning disabilities such as autism. It's difficult to diagnose children in a short clinical session such as at a doctor's surgery, but if a robot could report on the child's behaviour and activity over say a 24-hour period this would massively help understand that child's routine.

"In modern times with our ageing society, we believe robots can play a vital role in the care of older people. They could also be used in a traditional home setting, observing an older person between visits by a carer or relative for example."

Ardhendu is currently in talks with West Lancashire Borough Council and Home Instead Senior Care residential care providers about trialling Robbie in a care home setting to gain 'real' data.

He added: "This project stemmed from an eight-week summer project providing career development opportunities for students funded by the university's Student Opportunity Fund."

Edge Hill launched the Student Opportunity Fund to enable students to take advantage of 'career-enhancing and life-changing opportunities'. It allows undergraduates to apply for up to £2,000 which can help towards the cost of activities designed to prepare them for the future and enhance their employability skills.

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# Burst water main left hundreds of residents without water for hours

Report by **Henry James**

**HUNDREDS of homes in Skelmersdale, including elderly accommodation, were without water on the morning of Tuesday, October 10 following a burst water main.**

United Utilities had fixed the problem by the afternoon, but pensioners had gone the morning without water, and many had not been informed of why the water had gone off.

Ron Walker, from Cedar Grove, said: "On that day I had water about 6am, then the supply went off in the early morning.

"At first we did not know why the water had gone off, which can be a bit disturbing.

"I am 71 and am one of the youngest residents. None of the others make any noise, if they have grievances.

"I live by two people who are disabled. I was told that some of the kids were sent home from school during the problem.

"However later in the morning United Utilities came round with water, which was good of them.

"They also came round with information leaflets telling people what they should do if they see a leak. I plan to take them round to residents.

"Considering the size of the leak, United Utilities did very well.

Cedar Grove, Skelmersdale

"I was told that they plugged it during the day and came back in the night and fixed it. By 2pm my water was back.

"I have water saved all the time. I always have six litres in the fridge, which does not cost much.

"I distil water as I don't trust the supply after traces of a parasite were found in the water supply in parts of Lancashire in 2015."

A spokesperson for United Utilities commented at the time of the problem: "We were notified just after 11am that a burst water main at Neverstitch Road in Skelmersdale was causing residents in parts of WN8, L39 and L40 postcodes to have little or no water or poor water pressure.

"We've managed to restore water supplies for some customers and we're working to get the water back on for customers in the remaining properties as soon as we can."

The Saturday Club art and craft event - part of Libraries Week celebrations at Skelmersdale Library with local author Gemma Mould (right) and library assistant Karen Heyes (centre left).

# First Autumn Literary Festival at library is hailed a success

Celebrating Libraries Week, local author Gemma Mould reads one of her stories to The Saturday Club at Skelmersdale Library last Saturday.

THE Friends of Skelmersdale Library held their first Autumn Literary Festival during national Libraries Week (October 9-14).

During the week they hosted three events.

Two of these were evening events for adults, on Monday, October 9 and Thursday, October 12.

And the third, on Saturday, October 14, was aimed at children.

All monies raised by the group are ploughed back in to the library to buy art materials for the various free craft events for children.

On Monday, October 9 there was a selection of authors performing poetry and speaking about history.

Meanwhile the Thursday, October 12 evening involved authors of fiction and short stories.

Mary Whitby, from the Friends of Skelmersdale Library, said: "The festival was entertaining, thought-provoking and informative.

"There was a relaxed atmosphere where guests could enjoy a soft drink and cake while listening to our talented local writers."

The Saturday children's event involved authors of children's books.

The phone mast.

# 'Phone mast is playing havoc with our TV signal'

Report by **Henry James**

**RESIDENTS of Ashurst in Skelmersdale claim a new phone mast in their area is causing havoc to their terrestrial TV signal.**

**The Vodaphone mast has been installed on the corner of Melbreck and Ashmead Road and has been turned on recently.**

**Ashurst resident, Fred Young, said he had spoken to a number of people who had experienced difficulty watching television since the mast had been switched on and claimed: "The phone mast was installed on the corner of Melbreck and Ashmead Road, Skelmersdale.**

**"Ever since it was turned on terrestrial television for residents has been terrible.**

**"One elderly lady said it ruined her watching of television and when you are 85, the TV is important.**

**"The TV signal is breaking up all the time for people.**

**"The mobile phone company are trying to rectify the problem and have sent an engineer to install aerial boosters, but only if they are notified by phone.**

**"There are some people who have called on aerial companies to fix the problem, probably not knowing about the real cause.**

**"This issue must have cost some people money.**

**"I just feel it is terrible if people, who can only afford terrestrial TV, have their life disrupted because of a phone mast.**

**"This issue has caused a real problem in the area."**

**Vodaphone has been contacted for comment.**

**Across the country in recent years there has been reports of people having problems watching Freeview because of interference from 4G mobile phone networks.**

**The interference has resulted in image distortion and they have not been able to watch some channels.**

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# £6.6m funding to improve county's residential care homes for elderly

Report by **Henry James**

**LANCASHIRE County Council is set to invest £6.6m with the aim of improving its residential care homes for older people.**

The council's cabinet has approved the funding, which will see improvements to all 17 county council-run homes.

The scheme will help to modernise the buildings, improve safety systems, install new facilities and redecorate the homes to ensure they are welcoming and provide a better environment for people with complex conditions such as dementia.

County Councillor Graham Gooch, the county council's cabinet member for adult services, said: "Our care homes provide vital support for more than 750 people across Lancashire. They have a great reputation with residents and their families and most are rated as good by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

**County Councillor Gooch**

"However, as they are used day in and day out, there is a lot of wear and tear on buildings, decoration and facilities.

"These are not just buildings - they are people's homes and we have got to keep them maintained to a high standard so they are comfortable and meet modern specifications."

The £6.6m investment will be made up of £1.7m which had been previously earmarked for care home improvements, plus an additional £4.9m from the capital budget.

Surveys have been carried out at each care home to prioritise areas for improvement.

Some of the improvements that will be funded include internal decoration, floor coverings, kitchen units, updating fire protection measures and upgrading lighting.

County Councillor Gooch added: "The improvements will help to ensure we continue to fulfil standards set out by the CQC and offer good facilities in line with market expectations in the care sector.

"We have carried out research and are ensuring the improvements make the buildings as easy and safe to use as possible for people with dementia and other complex conditions.

"This scheme is a key part of our plans to provide even better care for older people across the county."

Now that the funding has been approved, there will be a tendering process to award contracts for the work at the 17 care homes and it is expected the improvements will be carried out over the next two years.

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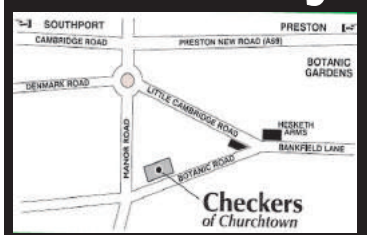


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# Safety partnership prepared to tackle anti-social behaviour

Report by **Henry James**

## Annual Bright Sparx Campaign launched in run-up to Mischief Night and Bonfire Night

**THE West Lancashire Community Safety Partnership is aiming to tackle anti-social behaviour in Skelmersdale in the run-up to Mischief Night and Bonfire Night.**

Through the annual Bright Sparx Campaign, the partnership will aim to reduce anti-social behaviour, such as the misuse of fireworks, criminal damage and the number of anti-social fires started deliberately.

Dave Tilleray, Community Safety Partnership chairman, said: "We know some people feel a little nervous around the time of Mischief Night and Bonfire Night, but our comprehensive Bright Sparx action plan draws on experience of previous years to tackle potential problems and dangers around this time."

In the run-up to Bonfire Night neighbourhood policing teams will be conducting visible patrols and will deal "robustly" with incidents of anti-social behaviour.

West Lancashire Borough Council, police and fire service will undertake a number of other initiatives, including:

- Visiting young people who have been involved in anti-social behaviour during previous Mischief Night and Bonfire Night periods.
- Taking fireworks from children who are under age.
- Removing bonfires from unauthorised sites.
- Promoting the exciting Go4it events at Skelmersdale Fire Station on Friday, November 3 and Saturday, November 4 organised by Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service and Lancashire County Council's Wellbeing, Prevention and Early Help Service .
- Joint visits to schools by Lancashire Fire and Rescue and the police to warn children of the dangers of playing with fireworks and the consequences of anti-social behaviour.

Dave Tilleray

Community Action and Engagement events in Tanhouse, Birch Green, Digmoor, Little Digmoor, Moorside, and Old Skelmersdale will aim to help reduce crime by removing rubbish and materials that could be used for criminal damage or starting fires. Advice will also be available on issues such as community safety and housing.

### Checks

Fire service staff will be on hand to take referrals for home fire safety advice and other organisations taking part include the police, trading standards and the Community Payback Team.

Skips will be available at the following locations from about 9.30am on different days for local people to get rid of rubbish. The skips will be taken away as soon as they are full:

**Birch Green:** Hawksclough, behind numbers 15 to 23, Wednesday, October 18.

**Old Skelmersdal**e: Willow Hey, on the left hand side of the last car park on the estate, Thursday, October 19.

**Little Digmoor**: Alderley, at the top end of the service road, Tuesday, October 24.

**Digmoor:** Birkrig, on the car park at the side of house number 188, Wednesday, October 25.

**Moorside:** Cherrycroft, on the field facing shops at the rear of houses 162-168, Thursday, October 26.

On Wednesday, October 25 only, the PDSA will be attending from 11am to 3pm to offer free dog health checks, including ear cleaning, body condition score checks and nail clipping, as well as advice on how to look after your animal on Bonfire Night.

Dog owners will also be able to get their pet microchipped for £10.

The county council's Wellbeing, Prevention and Early Help Service are also organising a Neighbourhood Fair at The Zone, Yeadon, on Monday, October 30, from 1 to 3pm, and a Neighbourhood Community Day at Eavesdale Neighbourhood Centre on Tuesday, October 31 also from 1 to 3pm.

For more details contact The Zone on 01695 651350 and the Eavesdale Neighbourhood Centre on 01695 724873 regarding their respective events.

West Lancashire Police Inspector Adrian Jolly said: "As in previous years the police will work with partners to minimise crime and anti-social behaviour associated with Mischief Night, Halloween and Bonfire Night. We are advising parents to keep their children at home to make sure they are safe and don't get into trouble. If teenagers are going out they should attend properly organised and supervised events."

**Councillor Yvonne Gagen (centre) along with West Lancs Rangers, members of Ex-services group EDs, Simon Burnett, WLBC deputy director of leisure and Steve Kent at the project launch at Abbey Lakes.**

# Ex-services personnel volunteer for Abbey Lakes upgrade project

**EX-SERVICES personnel are volunteering in an environmental project to upgrade Abbey Lakes in Up Holland.**

**West Lancashire Borough Council's Parks and Countryside Ranger Service is working in partnership with EDs Place to provide the scheme which will see volunteers undertaking a programme of practical works with the Rangers to improve the Abbey Lakes site.**

**Volunteers will be clearing existing paths and building new ones, repairing fishing platforms, tree management, drainage works and desilting streams.**

**The volunteers also plan to assess the quality and quantity of fish in the lake with the help of the Environment Agency, with the aim of establishing a fishing club for the volunteers.**

**The scheme started at the beginning of October and is to be trialled over the next three months. If successful this could become an ongoing project.**

**The project started after EDs Place, a community-based organisation that provides help and support to ex-forces personnel, approached the authority to see if some its volunteers could get involved with the lake. Some of the ex-services personnel are interested in fishing and were aware of the lake.**

**Councillor Yvonne Gagen, West Lancashire Borough Council portfolio holder for leisure, said: "We are always looking for volunteers from the local community to get involved with our parks and countryside sites. This is a great scheme and the Rangers are looking forward to working with the volunteers on this exciting new chapter for Abbey Lakes."**

**Councillor Terry Devine, the council's Armed Forces Champion, added: "The ex-services personnel who are volunteering on this scheme will benefit by learning new skills, and getting involved in a community based project and Abbey Lakes will benefit from their valuable contribution."**

**EDs provides ex-forces personnel and their families with accommodation and high standard compassionate and transitional support as they integrate back into civilian life.**

**Jason Lloyd, the founder of EDs, said: "We are grateful for the opportunity to work with West Lancashire Council to bring Abbey Lakes back to life, for the benefit of our community. Our heroes deserve our support and we wish to celebrate their achievements. Projects like this really do benefit all concerned."**

Community Restart
West Lancashire Team
Community Restart is a forward thinking service, promoting social inclusion through education, volunteering, employment, sports, leisure and the arts.

**Members of Skelmersdale Pulse, including support volunteers, Community Restart and health professionals who met at Skelmersdale Concourse to mark World Mental Health Day.**

# Community groups promote World Mental Health Day

**SKELMERSDALE Pulse, an organisation set up and run by volunteers, and Community Restart ran a range of activities at the Concourse on Tuesday, October 10 to promote and highlight mental health.**

**Skelmersdale Pulse work with different agencies to help, advise and support members of the community.**

**They run a variety of workshops and activities, which are open to all members of the public.**

**Problems with mental health can affect one in four adults.**

**A spokesperson for Pulse said: "Mental illness is not contagious. You can't catch it by being kind."**

**Highlights of the activities on October 10 included a craft group, relaxation with Mindsmatter, Tai Chi and a quiz**

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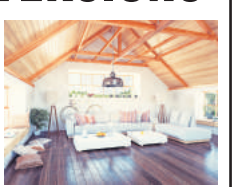
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# County council steps up campaign to stub out smoking

**A LANCASHIRE County Council plan to cut smoking rates across the county to 12% by 2022 has been approved.**

The Lancashire Tobacco Control Plan, agreed by the county cabinet, sets out a number of measures to build on the work that has been delivered so far to encourage people to quit smoking.

It highlights how Lancashire will support the national target of working towards a smoke-free generation.

Smoking is the biggest preventable cause of premature death and ill health in Lancashire. It kills more than 1,600 people aged 35 or over across the county each year.

This is greater than the total number of deaths from alcohol, obesity, illegal drugs, murder, suicide, road traffic accidents and HIV infection combined.

County Councillor Shaun Turner, the county council's lead member for health and adult services, said: "Smoking is one of the major factors that contributes to the huge health inequalities across our county. It leads to thousands of premature deaths and causes people to live in ill health for many years.

"In financial terms, the costs associated with it are astronomical too. The costs of smoking to Lancashire's economy are more than £291m each year, including £50m to the NHS.

"We've been successful in reducing smoking rates down to 16%, but we need to build on this. The measures set out in the tobacco control plan will help us cut smoking rates to 12% by 2022."

Some of the ways the council aims to reduce smoking include:

• Commissioning new digital services using cutting-edge technology to encourage people to quit.

• Carrying out more targeted work to encourage specific groups to quit. These include reducing smoking rates for pregnant women to 6% or less by 2022 and cutting smoking for manual and routine workers. Rates for this group are 23.9%, which is significantly higher compared to the rest of the county's population.

• Continuing to provide support to help people change smoking behavioural and nicotine replacement therapy to help them quit. For people who still struggle to stop, supporting people to use e-cigarettes as one of the tools to help them quit. Although not risk-free, these cause significantly less harm to people's health than conventional cigarettes.

Smoking is the biggest preventable cause of premature death and ill health in Lancashire

County Councillor Turner added: "We're continuing to commission our Quit Squad stop smoking services to reduce smoking rates. We'll also continue clamping down on under-age tobacco, e-cigarette liquids and illicit tobacco sales.

"We're also bringing in new measures such as increasing the use of digital technology to help people quit and supporting the use of e-cigarettes as an alternative to help people stop smoking.

"Together with work to target specific groups where smoking rates are particularly high, we hope to achieve our aim to make Lancashire's next generation a smoke-free one."

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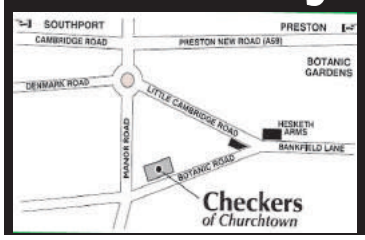

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# Jane hails planter campaign victory

Report by **Kenny Parker**

**LANCASHIRE County Council has agreed to maintain three roadside planters in Ormskirk following a two-year campaign by local activist Jane Thompson.**

Jane, who lives in Ormskirk, is involved with her local residents' association and is a member of the independent political group Our West Lancashire.

She 'adopted' one of the three neglected roadside planters in Burscough Road, Ormskirk two years ago after they became an eyesore.

But now, following her persistent efforts, the county council has agreed to take over the management of the planters.

The two remaining overgrown planters will have the top layer of soil removed, due to the types of weeds growing and then fresh topsoil replaced in the next two to three weeks.

The planters will then be planted up with low-maintenance plants by the end of October.

The county council also confirmed that they would arrange ongoing weeding of the planters in future.

**Volunteers working on one of the planters**

Jane said: "For two years the county council has tried to wash its hands of these planters. I got so fed up with the appearance of them and with people commenting to me about how unsightly they looked that I arranged to adopt one of the planters and for two years, friends and supporters of Our West Lancashire have looked after it.

"We recently we planted winter annuals and spring bulbs.

"I only hope that the county council do a proper job. We varnished our adopted planter and the county council need to do that too if the planters are finally going to look cared for."

# New accolade for Moor Hall

**A 16TH CENTURY manor house in Aughton that underwent a multi-million pound conversion into a fine dining restaurant with accommodation has been chosen as one of the ten best places to stay in the North West in a national newspaper guide.**

**Moor Hall, the grade II listed gentry house on Prescot Road which opened just seven months ago, has already won a string of distinguished awards, most recently being granted a star by the 2018 Michelin Guide Great Britain and Ireland.**

**Other accolades include it being been placed in The Good Food Guide's top 50 restaurants and a double winner in the 2017 West Lancashire Design Awards.**

**Now it has been listed in the new edition of the Sunday Times Best Places to Stay: 100 great British hotels, just one of ten in the North West.**

**After receiving news of the listing, Mark and Jennifer Birchall from the hall, said: "The past couple of weeks have been a whirlwind for Moor Hall and we are absolutely thrilled with the positive attention from Michelin, the Good Food Guide, and now being recognised by The Sunday Times, as well.**

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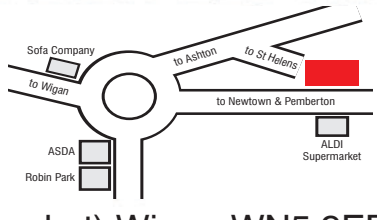


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# MP secures county council pledge on borough grass cutting schedule

Report by **Henry James**

WEST Lancs MP Rosie Cooper says she has secured the schedule from Lancashire County Council for their grass cutting in the borough.

In recent months, hundreds of residents have contacted the Ms Cooper raising their concerns about the poor state of the grass, lack of maintenance and even sub-standard work where areas have been tended to.

As a result, she contacted the director of Community Services at Lancashire County Council to raise the various issues and seek a response to deal with these growing concerns.

Now, Community Services have notified the MP that they have scheduled rural flail cuts for roads including on the A59, A565 and A5209 for May, July and October each year.

In addition, there will be six urban amenity cuts taking place during the peak season from April through October.

West Lancs MP Rosie Cooper

These will depend on weather conditions as well as temporary traffic regulation orders (TTROs) in place at the time.

Rosie Cooper said: "Hundreds of residents have been in touch with me disappointed over the state of some of the work carried out by Lancashire County Council or their contractors, or even the total lack of work around grass cutting and maintenance.

"The issue of grass cutting has led to many concerns that West Lancashire may become a less desirable place to visit or do business, and certainly in some circumstances the lack of maintenance at junctions and roundabouts has been a clear highways safety issue.

"People of West Lancashire want to feel proud of their area and the lack of pride shown of late about grass cutting and its visual impact has been disappointing for many residents.

"I am pleased to confirm that there will be six urban amenity cuts through the year during the next season, on top of three rural flail cuts along our important A roads including the A59.

"Whilst we have confirmed this commitment, I will be keeping a close eye to ensure the work is carried out in full and to the appropriate standard."

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Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Neil Furey with pupils from Skelmersdale and Up Holland schools at their Pupil Parliament meeting.

# Pupils enjoy a practical lesson in democracy

**PUPILS from SHARES schools in Skelmersdale and Up Holland took part in a Pupil Parliament exercise at West Lancashire Borough Council's offices in Ormskirk.**

**The event, organised by SHARES, opened with the Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Neil Furey, telling the children about his role.**

**The youngsters then went on to vote for their own Prime Minister, deputy PM and secretary, with candidates giving speeches on why they should be chosen.**

**A secret ballot was held with a polling booth and ballot box set up with the assistance of council staff and when all the votes had been counted the results were announced.**

**Councillor Furey said: "It was great to see the children being so actively involved in an event about democracy."**

# Facility for trauma sufferers scheme gets green light

MEMBERS of the borough council's planning committee have approved proposals to convert 192-198 Ennerdale, Tanhouse in Skelmersdale from a residential space into an assisted living facility for residents who have suffered trauma or those suffering with mental health issues.

The application had been recommended for approval by borough council officers and was duly passed at a meeting of the planning committee.

The Tanhouse Community Enterprise, in partnership with Birchwood Centre, will use the building.

The facility, situated in the Ennerdale housing estate, will comprise a four-storey detached building with a community centre to the south of the property and two-storey residential buildings to the north, east and west.

As part of the proposal there will also be an office/therapy room/visiting room on the ground floor.

A four-bedroom flat with associated kitchen and communal living room will be situated on the first floor.

Council documents for the application stated: "The third and part of the second floor will be for a six bedroom maisonette with the bedrooms on the third floor and the communal/living room and kitchen on the second floor."

# Sauce manufacturer has plans for operation on Skem business park site

Report by **Henry James**

**ONE of the UK's leading fruit, soup, non-dairy yoghurt and confectionery sauce manufacturers could have an operation at the White Moss Business Park in Skelmersdale.**

Fruitapeel has been named as the proposed tenant in a planning application which has been submitted to West Lancashire Borough Council.

The application has been submitted by Moorgarth Properties (Luxembourg) Sarl and the proposal is for Degrave House, J4 Technology Park, Maple View, Whitemoss Business Park.

Moorgarth properties own the building.

The applicant wants to change the use of the building to facilitate fruit sauce, soup, non-dairy yoghurt and confectionery manufacturing.

Degrave House has, for a number of months, been partly vacant and this includes the warehouse element and the high tech centre, which is the area of the building where planning permission is sought.

There is a call centre in the rest of the building.

Richard Irving, director of ID Planning, who are acting on behalf of Moogarth Properties, wrote in a letter to the council: "Fruitapeel is an industry leading team established in 2006 and is one of the UK's leading fruit, soup, non-dairy yoghurt and confectionary sauce manufacturers currently based in Lancashire.

"As identified on the Fruitapeel's company website, the company is dedicated to manufacturing a variety of fruit confectionery sauces, compotes, pie fillings, coulis, ripples, soup and non-dairy yoghurts and is the second largest manufacturer of fruit and confectionery sauces in the UK.

"Fruitapeel is the only non-dairy yoghurt manufacturing plant in the United Kingdom. This is an extremely important local business employing in the region of 30 to 35 members of staff.

"The nature of the business is compatible to surrounding occupiers and will assist in securing significant inward investment and job-creating opportunities for the area."

Ward councillors and parishes have until Friday, November 3 to make a response to the application.

Maple View in White Moss Business Park

# Men-Aces 'cut a dash' at fundraising fun run!

**MEMBERS of the Skem Men-Aces disability football team joined around 4,000 other participants in curly wigs for the 5k Scouse Dash in Liverpool on Sunday, October 15.**

**Mim Eaton from the Men-Aces said: "This was a first for the lads and they thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience.**

**"Instead of them getting money as sponsorship they were given tins and packets of food and we hope to do this for the forthcoming Santa Dash as well.**

**"The team will then be able to take food hampers to Digmoor Community Centre, who are opening their doors on Christmas Day for the homeless, lonely, elderly and vulnerable for a Christmas Dinner.**

**"The centre are also hoping to prepare little boxes of goodies for the people that come and see them, to help them through the festive season.**

**"This is the sixth year that we have helped the centre and we are hoping to try and make between 35 and 50 hampers up so that no one gets left out."**

Members of the Men-Aces at the Scouse Dash

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A dental practice which is situated in a West Lancashire town, Skelmersdale, has recently re-opened its doors after a successful take over by family man Zaid Choksi.

Ashurst Dental Practice had to close its doors last year after its previous owner retired, leaving a lot of patients frustrated. However, the practice has now re-opened under new management with a brand new team and has been thriving ever since.

Practice manager Olga Golovina spoke about the recent takeover stating that patients seem extremely happy with the new and improved team, "We've received lots of kind reviews from our patients that have been left on our Facebook page and NHS Choices, who are commenting on how great the atmosphere is here at Ashurst Dental Practice."

This has transpired at a time when it has been reported that the NHS could potentially be degenerating in the dental healthcare sector. Not long ago did the story of a couple who were forced to pull out their own teeth, due to not being able to find an NHS dental practice emerge, implying that a high percentage of practices have stopped taking on new patients, leaving people unable to look after their oral hygiene.

Thankfully this is not the case for Ashurst Dental Practice who are welcoming new patients and want to spread the word. Dr Sima Kothiwala, principal dentist at the practice stresses the how important routine dental appointments are, not only for your teeth but for your general oral health too: "I recently had a patient attend with worrying symptoms, who I referred to hospital and he has since been diagnosed with early stages of oral cancer. An early diagnosis of oral cancer can be lifesaving." Thus, this is why it is crucial people can register as NHS patients and visit the dentist regularly.

Ashurst Dental Practice take pride in providing dental healthcare to their local community as some of their team live locally. Dental Therapist Deb Hathaway lives in Skelmersdale with her three children and loves treating familiar faces. "I have time for longer appointments, so I usually deal with our nervous patients because they require more time to be treated. I also see a lot of children and I enjoy watching them leave with a smile as I know they'll feel confident about returning."

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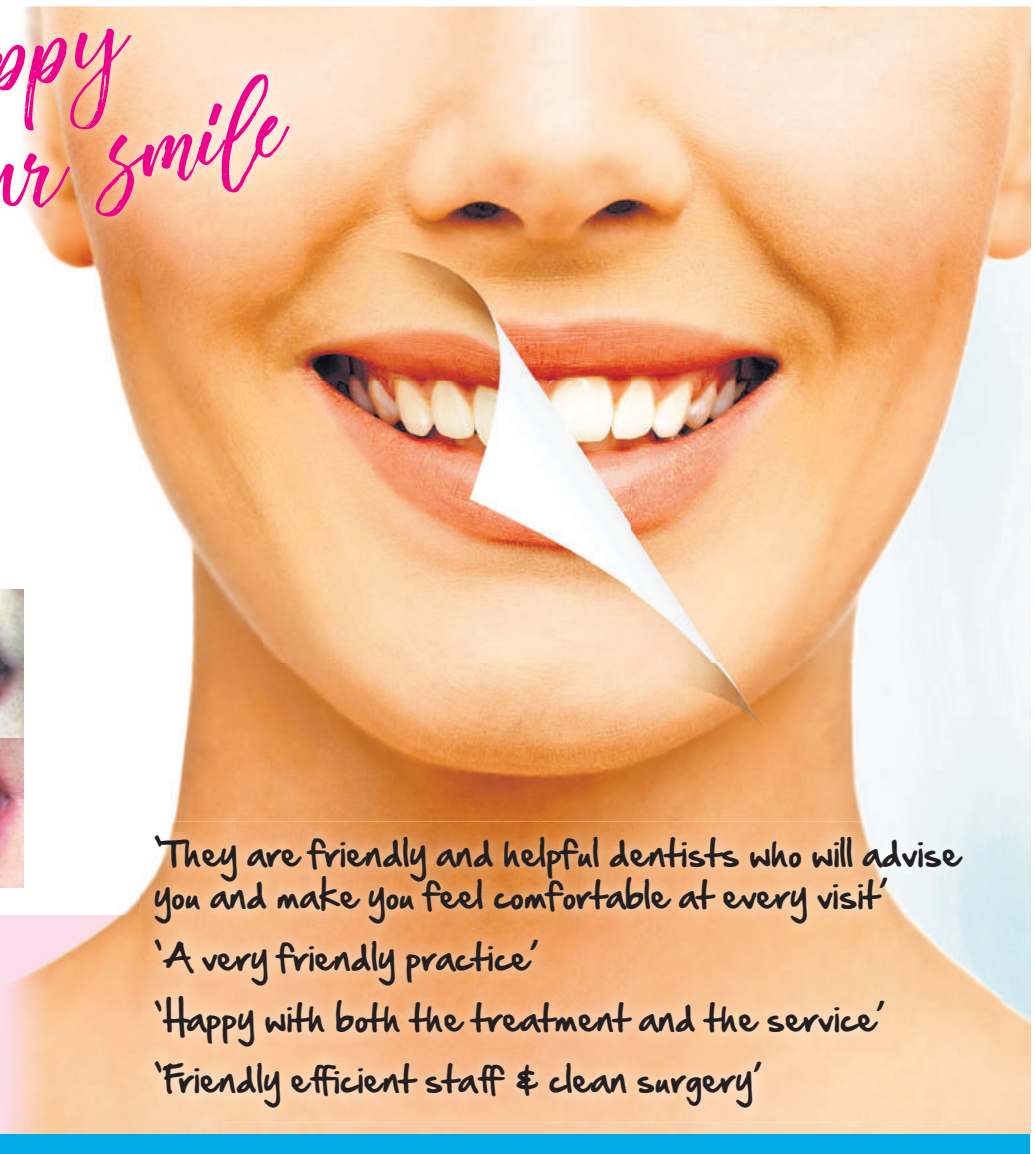

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# Council retains zero policy on sex establishments

Report by **Kenny Parker**

**WEST Lancs Council has agreed to keep sex establishments out of the borough after a public consultation unanimously showed that they weren't wanted.**

As part of its review of the existing Sex Establishments Policy, which limited the number of sex establishments in the borough to zero, the council undertook a public consultation to test whether the policy was still in line with public opinion.

Establishments covered by the policy include sex shops, sex cinemas and sex entertainment venues - described as those that feature lap dancing, pole dancing, table dancing, strip shows, peep shows, and live sex shows.

Julie Scragg, 56, from Aughton, contacted the Champion to say that members of her prayer group at Ormskirk's St Anne's Church were fearful of the opening of lap dancing clubs in the town.

And she urged residents opposed to such establishments to make their views known to the council.

A council spokesperson said that every resident who responded to the consultation clearly stated they did not want any sex establishments in their area.

Councillor Noel Delaney

A petition against such premises was signed by 98 people while more than 70 individuals sent in their views saying there should be none in West Lancashire.

### Concerns

Although the council is not under an obligation to publish a policy for sex establishment licensing, by doing so the authority can clearly state the needs of its own area and dictate the requirements for licensed operations.

The revised policy was largely unchanged from the previous version and kept the limit on sex establishments set at zero. This was approved by the council's licensing and gambling committee on Tuesday, October 10.

Councillor Kevin Wright, portfolio holder for health and community safety, said: "The council never intended to change the limit on sex establishments from zero, and this limit was stated in the revised policy before the start of the public consultation. But Parliament has made it lawful to operate a sex establishment. Therefore it is appropriate the council sets out its objectives and the means through which application processes can address potential concerns.

"The response to the public consultation demonstrates how our policy is in line with what local people want."

And Councillor Noel Delaney, chairman of the licensing and gambling committee, added: "We are really grateful to everyone who took the time to respond to the consultation as this clearly shows the council's policy reflects the views of local people on this matter.


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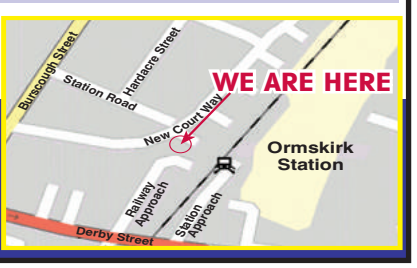

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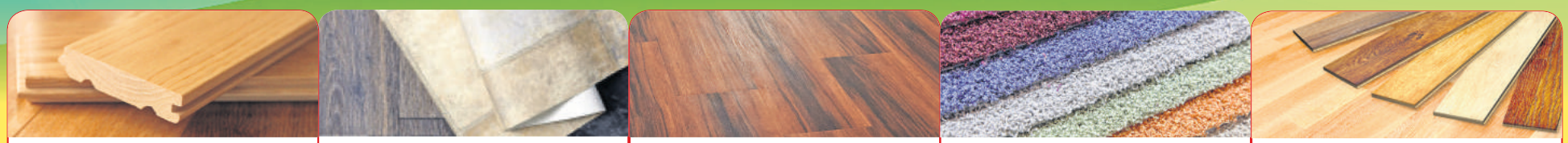

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# Charity's debut talent show proves a big hit

Report by **Kenny Parker**

**ORGANISERS of the first-ever Sporting Challenge Talent Showcase Event have hailed it a huge success.**

The event took place at the Burscough Legion in Lord Street on Saturday (October 14) and the night included singing, dancing, magic, comedy, break dancing and much more.

Sporting Challenge is a registered charity which provides social activities for 45 people with additional needs in West Lancashire.

Based in Burscough, the charity arranges evening and weekend activities that include ten pin bowling, aerobics, swimming and boccia/kurling at local sports centres.

Edward McCarthy, Sporting Challenge activities co-ordinator, said: "This is the first event we have put on and I think it was fantastic. The group have been practising for months and their hard work came through in the performance.

"A big thank-you goes to everyone who took part and everyone who supported the event.

"And I would also like to thank Amanda Baldwin who helped me organise the event and Russ who was our DJ/compere."

During the event Sporting Challenge also accepted a generous donation from Northway Dental Practice and a donation from Resound Community Choir for £600.

For more information on Sporting Challenge contact Edward on 07971 299606 or email Edward-atEMSS@gmail.com.

## *Tots' visit a tonic for care home residents*

**YOUNGSTERS from a Skelmersdale child-minding group bridged the 'generation gap' when they visited Hillcroft Residential Care Home in Aughton to help residents celebrate National Grandparents Day.**

**Residents received gifts of chocolate and had fun with the children from the Shelly Tots group, as well as with the children of staff members.**

**Staff said the visit certainly "brightened up the residents' day."**

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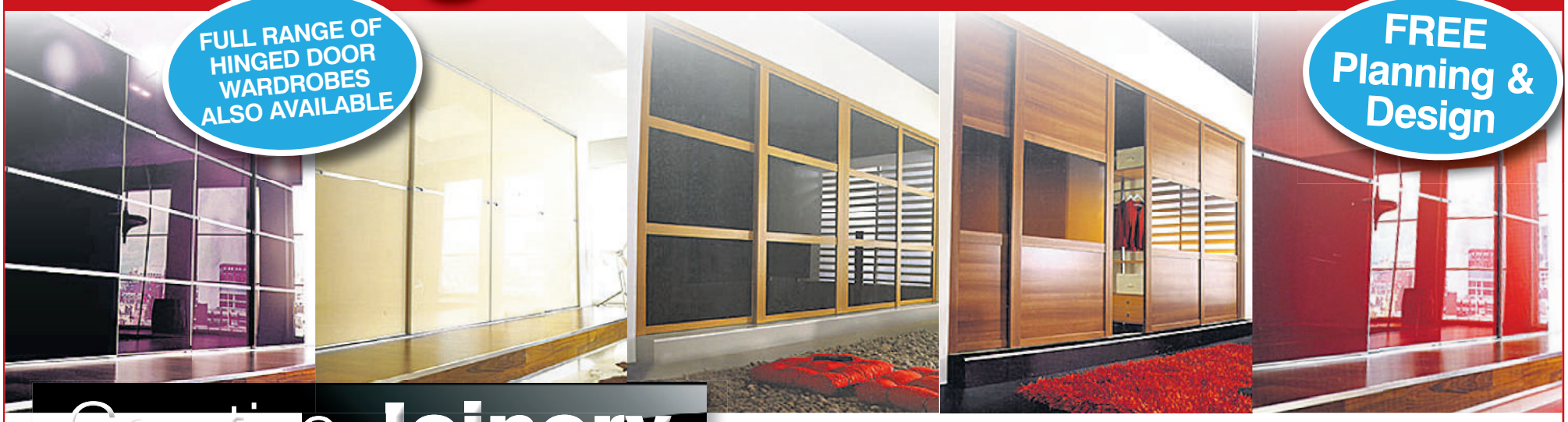


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# Care trust cooks up healthier curries 'recipe' for diabetics

**PEOPLE with diabetes are being encouraged to learn how to cook healthier curries to help manage their condition and live healthier lives.**

To coincide with National Curry Week Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust's Diabetes Education and Self-Management for Ongoing and Newly Diagnosed service (DESMOND) is advising people with type 2 diabetes that they can enjoy a good curry while still eating healthily.

Heather Platt, diabetes structured education co-ordinator at the trust, said: "Everybody loves a good curry and why shouldn't they? However curries are not always as healthy as they should be but just by making a few simple changes, people can make a healthier curry that is both tasty and delicious.

"This is particularly important for people with diabetes or at risk of developing the condition. Attending DESMOND sessions can help people understand what diabetes is, make healthier food choices, become more active and learn how to live well with diabetes.

"Our service also advises on how to cook homemade curries using less fats and oils, and adding more vegetables and pulses for a cheaper option such as chickpeas and lentils. If you buy readymade curry from the supermarket use the food label and traffic light information to make healthier choices."

**Heather Platt (centre) with two of the trust's specialist diabetes nurses**

The DESMOND service has developed these 10 top tips to make curries that are high in flavour and low in calories:

Limit the amount of oil to one teaspoon per person (choose olive oil, rapeseed oil and sunflower oil which are higher in unsaturated fats).

Use low fat crème fraiche, low fat yoghurt and fromage frais.

Go veggie and add pulses such as chickpeas and lentils, which are a good source of protein.

Add lots of different vegetables which add colour and make up your 'five a day'.

Watch the salt.

Tomato-based curries are a great switch and need very little oil.

Use fish to add omega 3.

Reduce meat and use leaner cuts.

Instead of fried rice or pilau, switch to boiled rice.

Add more herbs and spices and reduce the extra salt.

# Bingo booster for mayor's charity appeal

**IT was eyes down and look in when the Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancashire, Councillor Neil and Mrs Julie Furey, hosted a charity Bongo Bingo event for their chosen charities at the Evermoor Hub in Skelmersdale.**

**The fun event raised funds for the mayor's chosen charities for the year, the 42nd Ormskirk (Skelmersdale St Paul's) Scouts; Evermoor Hub; and The Sewing Rooms in Skelmersdale. The civic couple are pictured (above) at the event with members of the Mayor's Charity Committee.**

# Care home staff shortlisted for awards

STAFF from the Birch Green Care Home in Skelmersdale have been shortlisted in six categories of this year's Great British Care Awards.

The Great British Care Awards is one of the top dates in the care sector's calendar, with a range of regional heats held across the country before a national final.

Birch Green staff have been shortlisted in the following categories of the North West heats:

- Care home worker - Rebecca Green.
- Care newcomer - Mishang Klincke.
- Trainer - Sian Gardner.
- Frontline leader - Sharon Davies.
- Palliative care/end of life - Team Birch Green.
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# Champion LETTERS to the Editor

Clare House, 166 Lord Street, Southport PR9 0QA
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## Until cyclists get decent tracks to ride on they will always use roads

IN response to Doug Elliott's letter regarding cyclists not using 'purpose made tracks when provided'.

There are a number of points he makes: 'I frequently have to avoid lycra-clad cyclists riding down the 60mph dual carriageway on the A59 Northway.'

How frequent is frequent? Dozens of times? Hundreds?

I commute to work every day down Northway to get to work on my bike and can safely say I never see any cyclists on the road during the rush hours of the morning and evening.

If I do, it's usually the odd racing bike, and usually after 7pm, or maybe the odd club rider on a Sunday morning.

Also, what difference does the speed limit make?

Surely the cyclist is the one most at risk of 60mph trucks rolling past, not the other way round?

He continues: 'There are purpose-made cycle tracks either side'

Only the top half of Northway has a separate cycle track. The biggest danger to me on these tracks are the joggers and dog walkers, often wearing headphones and often oblivious to what's coming from behind.

Why doesn't Doug write a letter about pedestrians using the walking tracks when provided, and to stay off the cycle tracks?

Does Doug have a carbon fibre road bike? And if so, has he ever ridden it down these tracks? Has he seen the state of the surfaces? Would Doug really want to take his carbon fibre road bike down these tracks? They are a disgrace.

He then says: 'When tackled, all they give is abuse.'

How many riders have given abuse to Doug?

Why is he assuming all cyclists give abuse? As if motorists are always polite and respectful!

Also, since when did it become illegal for bicycles to ride on an A road?

Cyclists will use the tracks provided when the council/government decides to provide them. They will also use existing tracks that have decent surfaces and are properly segregated from cars and pedestrians.

Until then, they will keep on using the roads.

**Mr J. Collins**
**Westhead**

## Motorists pay for the privilege of driving down the highways

**I JUST had to reply to the letter writer who posted: 'I'll Continue To Ride My Bicycle Where I See Fit'.**

**Motorists pay for the privilege of driving down roads by paying road tax and having insurance for their vehicles.**

**This insurance is taken out in case people like 'Pedro Bobcat' insist on riding down the middle of the roads, two abreast and cause accidents on their push bikes.**

**Like 'Pedro' I live in Aughton and find that the drivers of cars mostly respect the rules of the highway, unlike some idiot cyclists and who, incidentally, are not fouled-mouthed like some cyclists.**

Kevin Young,
Aughton

## Thoughtless riders give cycling a bad name

ARE cyclists exempt from the Highway Code? Do they not have to obey the give way to the right rule at roundabouts?

I was coming out of Tesco and turning right to go towards Ormskirk at the mini roundabout when these lycra-clad cyclists came out of School Lane turning right and just followed each other like a procession as if they had right of way coming from the left!

I remonstrated with them regarding the right of way at roundabouts and all I got was a pile of expletives and F-words.

These cyclists give cycling a very bad name, I'm sad to say.

**Frank Baybutt,**
**Lathom**

# PICTURE of the week

**Bin here... done that. A gull takes flight after scavenging a few morsels from litter containers at Formby beach car park. Picture by Martyn Snape.**

## Thanks Jim - for reminding people who won the vote

**I WOULD just like to thank Jim Sharpe for his 'One Man and His Dog' column in the Champion of October 4.**

**I, for one, am fed up with the 'Remainers' trying to put our country down and all they can see is doom and gloom.**

**It was a breath of fresh air to read Jim's article and I agree with all he has said.**

**Thank you, Jim, for reminding people that the majority voted to leave, so accept their decision and back your country.**

Name and address supplied
(by emai)

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**IF you've got a view on a topic of local or national interest which you would like to share with the readers of the Champion, why not drop us a line?**

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**■ PLEASE note: All views and opinions expressed in letters to the editor are solely those of the authors.**

## The issue of parking around the university is a danger

I WAS interested to read about the student parking in the Ormskirk Champion *(October 11 edition)*.

I have to say, the comments from the university were designed to suit the university.

Edge Hill would indeed take additional Green Belt land if given the opportunity, which is an absolute disgrace.

The university is far too large for the town as it stands.

They would promptly add additional student accommodation due to the fact they receive more cash from the students for accommodation than they would receive supplying parking for them.

If you look at the students cars, a lot of the students have paid for parking at the university but they can't get on the site. Hence Edge Hill could actually be charging the students for parking over and above the spaces available.

The parking issue is a danger and there will be an accident one day. The police are advised of the situation but unfortunately it is not addressed. The students are even parking on junctions which is illegal.

This issue should be addressed by the university, but unfortunately it is only concerned with 'bums on seats' and not the welfare of the students or residents of Ormskirk.

**By email**
**(name & address supplied)**

## There's no reason why we can't have a Southport airport connection AND a Skem station too!

I AM not surprised that Rosie Cooper and Councillor Ian Moran took exception to John Pugh's doubts about the scheme to join Skelmersdale to the rail network, versus the planned loss of Southport's connections with Manchester Piccadilly and the airport next year, but this is not a zero sum game.

There is no reason why West Lancashire's biggest town can't have a rail link and Southport keep and improve its own connections.

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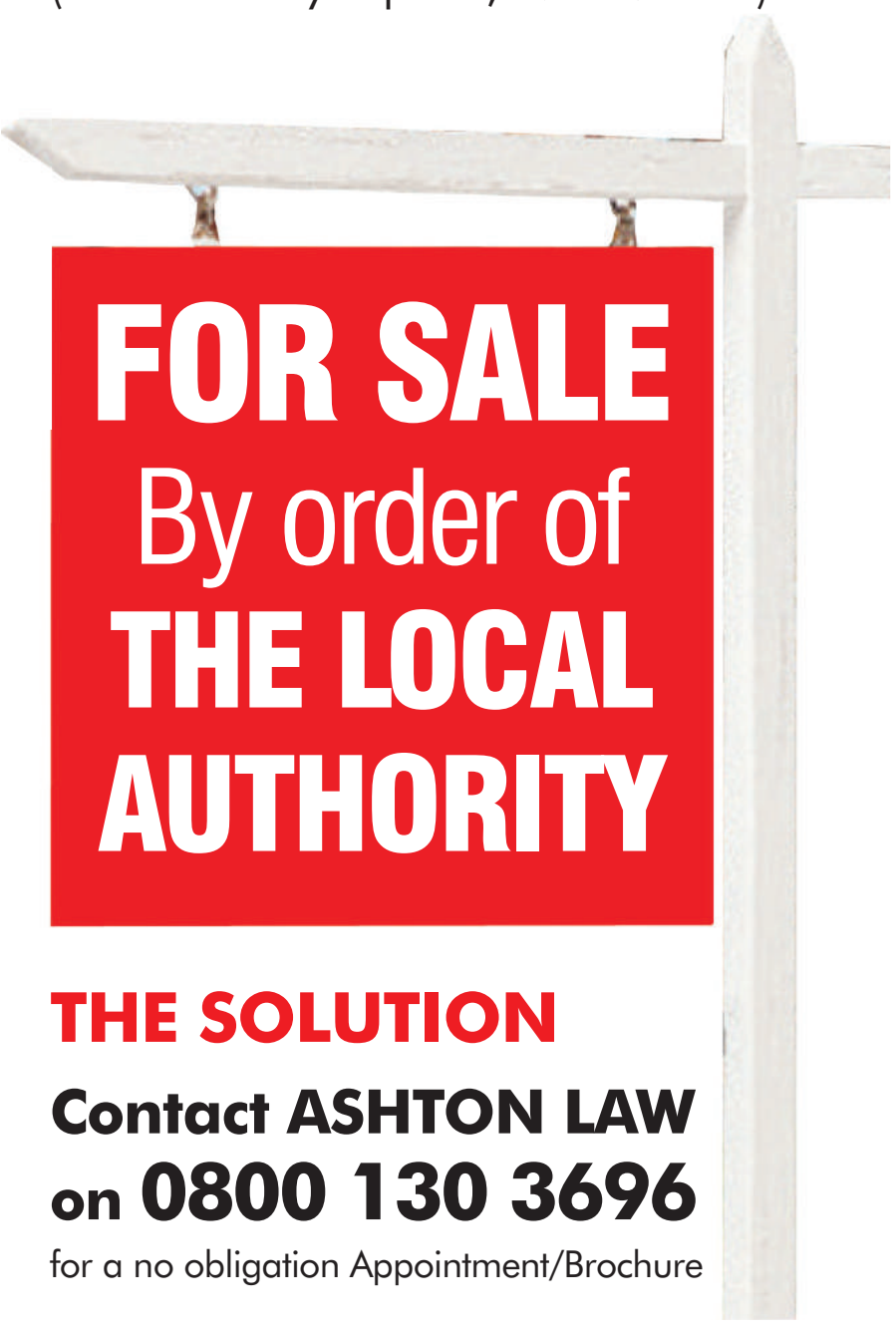


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# Health commissioning group to review clinical policies

Report by **Henry James**

**THE NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is working in partnership with the other seven CCGs in Lancashire and South Cumbria to review clinical policies across the region.**

The eight have all agreed that there is a need to review their clinical policies to ensure a consistent and fair approach; update current policies in accordance with national guidelines and best clinical practice; and to make sure they are using limited resources to maximum effect.

Residents are therefore encouraged to read the revised draft policy on the commissioning of cosmetic procedures.

The revised policy proposes that the CCG will not fund cosmetic procedures when the main purpose of this is to change the appearance of a part of the body. This applies to anyone of any age.

Only cosmetic procedures where the main purpose is to treat a functional or medical problem, and that meet the criteria in the policy, will be funded.

Greg Mitten, chief officer of West Lancs CVS

The types of procedures that are being proposed as part of this policy include problems with breast implants, split ear lobes and tattoos (a full list of all procedures are available within the policy).

Residents are being consulted over a 12-week period and open forum events are being planned for each CCG area. Residents can provide their feedback and comments now and throughout the 12 weeks by completing a feedback survey, which is available on the CCG's website: www.westlancashireccg.nhs.uk.

Policies and surveys can be posted out for any residents who do not have access to a computer by calling the CCG on 01695 588 000.

Greg Mitten, chief officer of West Lancs CVS and lay member for patient and public involvement at NHS West Lancashire CCG, said: "The CCG is responsible for commissioning a wide range of clinical services, including GP services, hospital services, community, mental health and learning disability services, for and on behalf of, the local population of which we serve.

"We need to ensure this is done in an open, fair and transparent manner but in so doing we must consider the limited resources we have.

"This policy which is up for consultation may have an impact on many of our residents, so it is really vital that our population have their say on what we are proposing."

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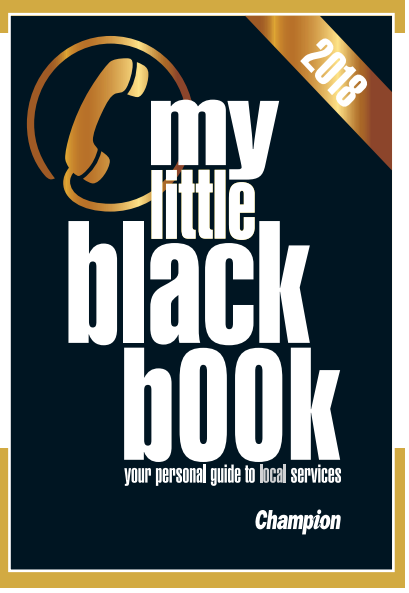


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The Ponden Home Interiors concession will include popular items such as a full bedding range showcasing its Egyptian cotton sheet collection, Ponden Home quilts, ever popular Hotel Firm Pillows, non-iron sheeting, mattress protectors, towels and ready-made curtains, as well as an elegant selection of soft furnishings and a home style gifts range.

Further details on The Edinburgh Woollen Mill's product ranges can be found by visiting www.ewm.co.uk.

Inspirational trends at EWM

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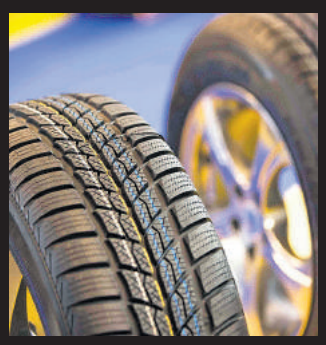

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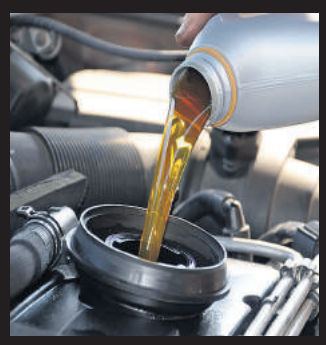

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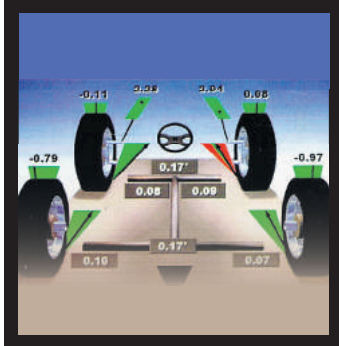


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# Health commissioners urge more patients to try online appointment and repeat prescription service

WEST Lancashire residents are being encouraged to use Patient Access, a free online tool to make GP appointments and order repeat prescriptions.

The NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) say that since it was first promoted locally last winter, many patients have registered and enjoyed the benefits of the service - but they are urging more to give it a try.

The online tool is available to everyone with access to the Internet at https://patient.emisaccess.co.uk. An app is also available for use on Apple and android smart phones.

Patients can get log-in details for the service from their registered GP practice. As well as ordering repeat prescriptions, the facility can be used to make GP appointments and view medical records.

Dr John Caine, local GP and chair of NHS West Lancashire CCG, said: "We appreciate that not everyone will be computer literate or have access to the Internet so there continues to be alternative more traditional ways of communicating with your GP practice and managing your health. However, we really encourage anyone who has the Internet and a smart phone to try Patient Access.

"Ordering repeat prescriptions is now just a matter of a few clicks at a time and patients can also use the tool to book appointments and view their own personal medical records."

Health chiefs say Patient Access helps to reduce waste of medicines and reduces pressures on GP practices.

Nicola Baxter, head of medicine optimisation at the CCG, added: "Patient Access is an ideal way to minimise wastage and since its launch here, we are seeing a significant drop in medicine waste already and patients are starting to only order what they need."

County Councillor Nikki Hennessy pictured with West Lancashire firefighters during her tour of the district's fire stations

# County councillor gets the low-down on firefighters' role

COUNTY Councillor Nikki Hennessy, a member of the Lancashire Combined Fire Authority, visited her local fire stations in Ormskirk and Skelmersdale to talk to firefighters about their experiences in the service.

Cllr. Hennessy, who also used to work for Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service as a care services liaison officer, was given a tour of the stations with a chance to inspect the fire engines and talk about the vital role the service plays.

She said: I have huge admiration for the firefighters, both full time and retained, and I wanted to thank them for keeping our communities safe.

"I know from my time as both an employee of Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service and as a member of the Lancashire Combined Fire Authority that firefighters are incredibly brave and very professional.

"This was highlighted to me when I was talking to them about some of the fires and incidents they have attended and when they gave me a demonstration of some of the equipment in the station."


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# Volunteers signed up to help in fight against cyber crime

Report by **Henry James**

**MORE than 30 volunteers have been signed up by Lancashire Police to deliver basic cyber and digital presentations to various communities around the county.**

The volunteers have a range of skills and experience across a range of sectors and include a forensic science and criminal investigations student, an ex-primary school teacher, an Arabic teacher in inter-faith schools, civil servant, IT and computer sales managers and a retired BT engineer in digital technology.

All the volunteers will be provided with a full training package and regular training to allow them to deliver presentations to schools, businesses and community groups.

Louisa Murphy, digital investigations and intelligence learning and development co-ordinator at Lancashire Police said: "Cyber crime is an increasing issue in Lancashire as it is across the country.

"We have drawn on volunteers within the community to provide them with different inputs on the different issues of cyber crime, to

Crime chief Clive Grunshaw

enable them to raise awareness on how to protect others on the internet and prevent them being a victim of cyber crime."

Police and Crime Commissioner, Clive Grunshaw welcomed the new approach and the commitment from the volunteers in the programme: "It was great to see so many volunteers come forward as part of this scheme that looks to give back to the community and help keep people safe online. We know that as much as half of all crime now has some element of online technology, whether card fraud, hacking businesses or stalking and harassment.

"This scheme will raise awareness of the risks of cyber crime and will help stop people committing crime as well as ensuring people can protect themselves from becoming a victim. With the scale of cyber crime, and this is only the crime we know about, there can be no 'one-size-fits-all' approach to tackling what is a huge problem.

"When money that is stolen online can vanish in seconds, prevention has to be our watchword. These volunteers will help us understand the problems people are facing, offering help and advice to tackle crimes before they are committed, and give the people of Lancashire the best support possible."

Student Alice Dachtler-Wood said: "Young people are into digital technology from a very early age, but I want to raise awareness of the consequences that can happen by not fully understanding what they are doing or posting."

Another volunteer Lee Cartmell who is head of information security at Yodel added: "I wanted to use the knowledge I have in my day job, alongside this training to promote internet safety to businesses so they are aware of potential scams and what to do if they are affected to ensure minimal disruption. Using volunteers is a great way to get out into the community and spread the word on cyber crime prevention."


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# Land bought for 94 home development

Report by **Kenny Parker**

**PLANS to build a residential development of 94 houses in West Lancashire have edged closer after the developer bought the land.**

Bellway was granted planning permission for a development called Lathom Pastures on Firswood Road, Lathom, in July. and they have now acquired the 11 acres the development covers.

The new houses will consist of a mix of three and four-bedroom detached homes.

Among the conditions upon which the application was granted include measures to take care of the wildlife, and in particular badgers. Another condition is that each dwelling should be provided with an electric vehicle charging point.

**An impression of how the development will look**

West Lancs Council has recently said that electric charging points have been mandatory with all new-builds since early 2017.

Bellway Homes says that to reflect its commitment to the local area it will be making a financial contribution of £50,000 to Ormskirk and Skelmersdale Linear Park.

It will also provide 12 affordable homes.

The housebuilder will also have to pay more than £1 million in Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

Jenny Bell, sales director at Bellway Homes, said: "With build expected to start early 2018, we are very much looking forward to the development taking shape in the coming 12 months."

# Strikes set to hit bus services

**BUS services in West Lancashire are set to be affected by three one-day strikes by Arriva staff.**

**Drivers and other staff are to stage a series of one-day strikes in a dispute over pay.**

**More than 2,000 bus drivers and engineering staff working for Arriva North West across 11 depots, including Bootle, and Southport in Sefton, are to stage industrial action tomorrow (Thursday, October 19) in a dispute over pay and wage inequality between different depots.**

**Members of the Unite union are also set to walk out for 24 hours on Monday, October 23 and Monday, October 30, hitting bus services operating out of Arriva bus depots in Bootle and Southport and other areas in the North West.**

**It comes after talks over pay between the union and Arriva North West broke down.**

**Unite is calling for a "fair and equitable pay rise" and for the company to address wage inequality between depots which currently can be as much as £1.73 an hour. Under Arriva's latest pay offer those disparities could rise to £2 an hour.**

**Unite regional officer, Neil Clarke, said: "Arriva is owned by the German transport giant Deutsche Bahn AG and has huge financial resources.**

**"All we are seeking is a fair and reasonable pay award against a backdrop of spiralling inflation and soaring living costs."**


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# Energy firms offers under-13s football teams chance to win kits

ENERGY company E.ON is inviting youth football teams in Lancashire to enter a competition to win a new team kit.

The power giant is offering under-13 football teams in Lancashire the chance to get themselves kitted out for free with the launch of its 'Power Kicks' competition. Winning teams will receive 15 full youth kits in sizes and colours of their choosing.

There is no requirement to be an E.ON customer to take part, and entries can be submitted by football clubs or school teams.

To enter the competition visit eonenergy.com/powerkicks and complete and submit the online entry form. All valid entries received by October 30 will be entered into the prize draw to win a voucher to cover the cost of 15 full youth kits. Full terms and conditions for the competition are also available on the website.


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# Foster children urged to tell their stories

**CHILDREN and young people in foster care are being called upon to tell their inspirational stories in an new creative writing competition.**

Developed by the You Can Foster campaign, it is hoped the stories will encourage a new generation of adults to sign up as foster carers.

Frank Cottrell-Boyce.

The event will have five categories dependant upon age, and among the judges is Liverpool-born children's author and screenwriter Frank Cottrell-Boyce.

Organisers say that The Inspiring Stories competition, aims to explore the ambitions of the thousands of children and young people who are in foster care across the north west.

It is hoped the stories will reveal the real sense of value and motivation that foster carers can instill in the young and the profound way in which they can help shape young lives for the better.

Winners will have the satisfaction of seeing the story published online and promoted across the North West. They will also have a cover design especially made for their story.

Mr Cottrell-Boyce, said: "Stories are how we make sense of our lives.

"The only way we can hope to understand another person is by listening to their story.

"The only way we can hope to understand ourselves is by finding someone who will listen to our story.

"When we hear other people's stories we discover we are not alone in our troubles. And we learn that there are solutions to our problems.

"As G K Chesterton said - we don't read fairy stories to learn that dragons are real. We read them to learn that dragons can be defeated."

The competition is open to children and young people up to the age of 25, who are, or have been, in foster care, as well as birth children of foster carers.

Stories submitted can be a personal account of a fostering experience or an inspirational tale. Entries can be fiction, non-fiction, written or even drawn so that all ages can engage with the competition.

Visit www.youcanfoster.org/competition to find out more and submit their stories which should be no longer than 800 words. The deadline for entries is 5pm, Friday, November 17.

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# We live in an 'instant age' - yet a lot of things are far slower than they used to be

TEMPUS Fugit – for those whose Latin is a long forgotten language means 'Time Flies.'

Everything these days is quicker than it was.

Or is it? Well, for most folk communication via the inter web is.

Unhappily for me, and the thousands like me though, speedy communications really ended with Alexander Graham Bell's invention of the telephone.

And the Royal Mail is far more snail-like than it was in its heyday (and that was probably about 100 years ago).

In fact, it occurs to me that there are many modern things which are slower than they were.

Take cars. Yes they generally have a higher top speed, but travel in towns and cities is hardly fast, and speed limits have made sure that journey times on motorways (when they aren't in any case compromised by interminable roadworks) can be longer.

Try making a journey by coach to London and you'll find it will take quite a bit longer than it did in the 1960s.

Trains are indeed faster now, quite a bit so, and aeroplanes too have cut long distance travel times dramatically - though the demise of Concorde must be one of the few instances of progress being reversed.

Mind you, a voyage to New York on the Queen Mary 2 will take you longer than it did in her illustrious predecessor.

One thing is certain though. People these days expect anything they want with the minimum of delay.

You don't have to move from your computer screen to get your weekly groceries delivered to your door.

Of course, no computer means no same day doorstep delivery, but never mind, unlike in my younger days just about every shop is open on Sundays, and the supermarkets stay open 'till bedtime.

Actually, I do wonder if universal Sunday opening is such a good thing.

Was a 'day of rest' really such an awful concept?

To go back to my mum's doggerel entitled Tempus Fugit.

It ended: 'No time for this, no time for that, but always we are faced with people rushing by who say: "We have no time to waste!" ....But where is this illusive time the human race has saved?"

And another thing. Is doing nothing necessarily a waste of time? For that matter, what is 'doing nothing'? Is sleeping doing nothing? No, it's sleeping. Is sitting quietly always doing nothing? Surely not if it is time spent thinking.

Mind you, sitting watching such TV rubbish as, for instance 'Big Brother' is surely doing nothing and wasting time.

Unless of course, like me you get annoyed, then angry, then stomp off and do something else. So even 'Big Brother' isn't a total waste of time (or is it?).

That's a problem with time - it tends to be elastic. Time can pass quickly, or slowly. I reckon that as you get older, and certainly once you reach pensionable age, you begin to realise what a strange thing time is.

Honestly, things of the 1960s to me seem like comparatively recent events. But my childhood, only a few years earlier, seems now far away.

Even more strangely, being driven to my holidays in Norfolk seems always to take an age - whereas when I used to go regularly on the train, time always appeared to pass quickly.

Or why does four hours in the morning always seem to be longer than four hours in the afternoon?

Anyway, I haven't time to speculate, it's time for a swift coffee and a walk to the local shops.


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Authors Karen McCombie, Steven Webb and Guy Bass at the launch of The Fantastic Book Awards 2017

# Authors launch county council's reading initiative for youngsters

LANCASHIRE County Council's Fantastic Book Awards 2017 has been launched by children's authors, Guy Bass, Karen McCombie and Steven Webb.

The book awards initiative for the county's primary schools, developed by Lancashire's school library service, was attended by more than 100 teachers.

The awards will run until May 2018 and will involve thousands of children from schools throughout Lancashire.

The main aim of the awards is to support reading for pleasure and enjoyment by introducing newly-published fiction titles to pupils aged between nine and 11 and encourage them to meet and discuss them at informal book clubs.

County Councillor Peter Buckley, Lancashire County Council's cabinet member for community and cultural services, said: "This tremendous initiative to encourage reading is now running. We are fully committed to maintaining the high levels and standards of literacy here in Lancashire, and this is an important way that we do this. I will be taking a keen interest to see who has won next May."

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# CLA chief meets local rural business owners to discuss relevant issues

**THE president of the Country Landowners Association (CLA), which represents owners of land, property and businesses in rural England and Wales, has visited estates and farms in Lancashire to discuss issues of relevance to rural business owners in the county.**

Fresh from attending and speaking at fringe events at the Conservative Party Conference in Manchester, the president, Ross Murray was joined on the trip by assocation director, Dorothy Fairburn and rural surveyor, Robert Frewen.

The aim of the visit was for Mr Murray to acquaint himself with rural business owners in the area, note their concerns as key players in the local rural economy and to raise these locally and nationally with relevant government departments.

Among the sites visited by the CLA delegation was Ribble Hall Farm in Hesketh Bank, to discuss the establishment of an Internal Drainage Board to deal with water level management in the area.

The main issues raised related to the management of drainage by the Environment Agency, and the management of water levels which, if not undertaken properly, will render the land unsuitable for agricultural purposes. Poor drainage in this area also highlights a potential flooding risk, affecting around 6,000 homes.

Ross Murray commented: "We are always looking for constructive and workable solutions to address risks associated with poor drainage, and we will impress on West Lancs Borough Council, as well as the Environment Agency, to pull out all the stops to set up a workable Internal Drainage Board."

Meanwhile, at Lord Derby's Knowsley Estate, which borders on West Lancashire, the group met with managing director, Simon Waller, who gave an overview of the diverse and thriving business in the North West.

The estate has an excellent relationship with the neighbouring councils, including West Lancs, as far as engagement in the wider economic growth of the region in the long term is concerned.

However, on a national scale, among the key issues they face are the lack of clarity on the government's minimum energy efficiency standards (MEES) to be introduced next year which could potentially lead to a reduction in the number of rural houses to rent due to the costs involved; and the impact of Brexit on the agricultural economy.

Simon Waller, CLA branch chairman for Lancashire, said: "Ross's visit was very constructive as it provides him with a snapshot of real-life issues affecting rural businesses and farms locally which will be fed into the CLA's national efforts to lobby both central and local government, along with its various agencies. There is life outside of Brexit, and for us, it is key to focus on our daily 'bread and butter' issues."

The party also had a guided tour of Chestnut-Lea nurseries (Gro –Salads Ltd) in Tarleton.

Pam Fletcher with CLA president Ross Murray during his visit to Chestnut Lea Nurseries in Tarleton

## Ambulance service bid to ease winter pressure on hospitals

THE North West Ambulance Service (NWAS) is seeking to ease pressure on the NHS this winter by sharing important health information with patients travelling on the Patient Transport Service (PTS).

It is hoped that PTS staff handing out leaflets about seasonal flu vaccination while transporting patients will help to reduce the number of hospital admissions. The leaflets include information about who is eligible for the free vaccination and who to speak to for further advice.

PTS contract delivery manager, Nathan Hearn, said: "To start with we're giving out information about the winter flu vaccination so that our patients know all about it and where to get it. Many of the people who use our service have existing medical conditions or are over 65, which means they are at greater risk of complications from flu and can have the vaccination free of charge.

"The whole NHS system sees pressure over the winter months, with more people visiting A&E and being admitted to hospital. We hope that sharing health advice can help keep people well and avoid them having to go to hospital."


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**Wear it pink takes place on Friday 20 October to raise money for vital breast cancer research**

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Wear it pink, the UK's biggest pink fundraiser which takes place during October's Breast Cancer Awareness Month, calls on supporters to ditch their everyday colours and pull on some pink to raise money for Breast Cancer Now's life-saving breast cancer research.

The fundraising event, back for its 16th year, encourages supporters to hold events in their homes, schools and workplaces on Friday 20 October and make a donation to Breast Cancer Now to help the charity achieve its aim that by 2050 nobody will die from breast cancer.

The charity's flagship fundraising day started in 2002 and has so far raised over £30 million for vital breast cancer research.

Lottie Barnden, Senior Fundraising Products Manager at Breast Cancer Now, said:

*"Wear it pink is a brilliant opportunity for individuals, groups, co-workers and families across the UK to fundraise together. There are so many ways to get involved, from holding a pink cake sale or sports day in the office or at school, to having a pink party at home with your friends. Whatever you do, you'll be raising money for Breast Cancer Now's life-saving research.*

*"Right now breast cancer is at a tipping point. Every year in the UK around 50,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer, and sadly around 11,500 women and 80 men will lose their lives to the disease. This is why we are urging everyone to get involved in wear it pink this Friday 20 October to raise funds for vital breast cancer research, to stop breast cancer taking the lives of those we love.*

*"We know how much fun people have when they take part in wear it pink and we look forward to hearing all about the ways people across the UK are planning to fundraise and take part this year."*

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# Call to make safety a priority during Walk to School Month

**DURING International Walk to School Month, school nurses from Lancashire Care NHS Foundation Trust are urging parents and teachers to make road safety a top priority.**

October has been designated as International Walk to School Month to encourage families to tackle inactivity among children by walking to school.

Results of a national travel survey released in 2016 showed that the number of children walking to school in the UK had reached an all-time low. While 70 percent of children walked to school a generation ago, the figure today is just 48 percent.

However, statistics also show that the times before and after school are when children are most at risk of being hurt on the roads.

Cheryl Forrest, who oversees school nurses at the trust, said: "On average six children under the age of five are killed or seriously injured on the roads every week. During International Walk to School Month it is crucial children are made aware of road safety, cycle safety and how to handle traffic at a young age.

"As the days get shorter and darker, the roads can become more and more hazardous and it is all the more important to be careful. Our school nurses are already promoting top tips about walking that encourage children to be careful when walking or cycling alone, with friends or with parents."

Most child injuries occur between 8 and 9am and between 3 and 7pm.

And the trust has issued the following top tips to keep families safe when walking to and from school and other journeys:

- Make holding hands your number one rule when walking together.
- Teach your child the Green Cross Code – Stop Look and Listen.
- Wear something reflective or brightly coloured when walking in the dark.
- If you are using a buggy/push chair on a hilly street, strap your wrist to the buggy handle then if you slip and let go, the buggy won't roll away.

School nurses from Lancashire Care have advice for parents on how to keep children safe while walking to school.

The trust's safety tips on cycling are:

- Ask your school or local authority about cycle training in your area - your child shouldn't cycle on roads until they have been trained.
- Check your child's bike to see if it's roadworthy - look at brakes, tyres and lights/reflectors.
- Make sure the bike is the right size for your child.
- Make sure your child wears a helmet which fits and is worn correctly.
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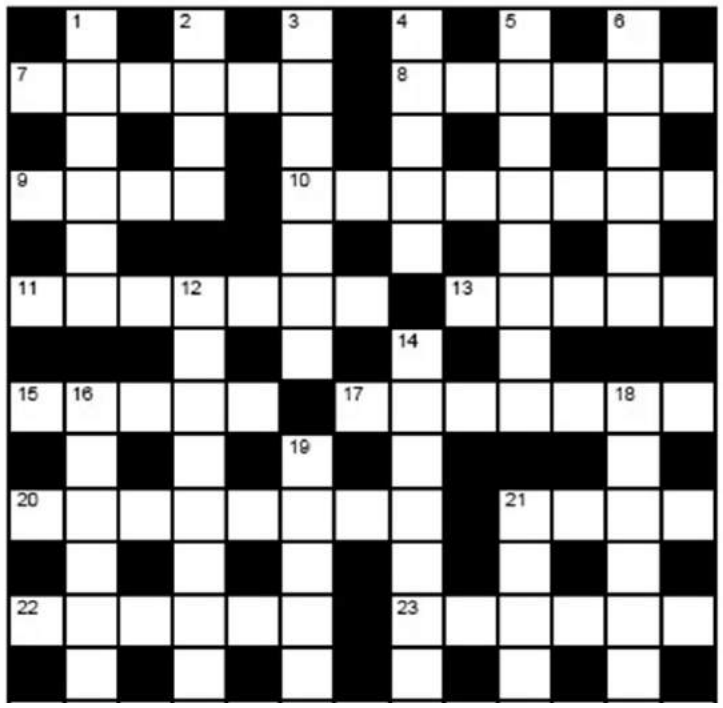

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*Down: 1. View. 2. Life preserver. 3. Redcoat. 4. Pigmy. 5. Roll-on, roll-off. 6. Biathlon. 12. Force fed. 14. Knock on. 17. Often. 20. Free.*

## ACROSS

7. Hindu festival of lights (6)
8. Enclose or confine a person against their will (6)
9. Absence of difficulty or effort (4)
10. Polite phrase used to attract someone's attention (6, 2)
11. Teach (7)
13. Material formerly used to make gramophone records (5)
15. Attendant who shows cinema-goers to their seats (5)
17. Denoting a person between 13 and 19 years old (7)
20. Local government administrative building (4, 4)
21. Official currency of Ireland (4)
22. Go to bed, retire for the evening (4, 2)
23. Eight-legged arachnid (6)

## DOWN

1. Reptile typically with long body and tail, four legs and rough, scaly, or spiny skin (6)
2. Ridge on a textured woven fabric such as corduroy (4)
3. Slender tube for transferring or measuring out small quantities of liquid, especially in a laboratory (7)
4. Slender, hardy tree which has thin, peeling bark and bears catkins (5)
5. Something that has been left out (8)
6. Honour awarded to recognize outstanding achievement in the music industry (6)
12. The act of removing dirt (8)
14. Informal term for extremely drunk (7)
16. Hereditary commander-in-chief in feudal Japan (6)
18. Gather or collect, especially information (6)
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# Heart charity and ambulance service in call for CPR to be taught in schools

Report by **Kenny Parker**

**One of the kits which the BHF says can be used to help save lives by teaching children how to perform CPR**

**THE British Heart Foundation and North West Ambulance Service are urging schools to provide training for youngsters in Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) techniques.**

It follows the results of a survey by the BHF which found that 86% of people would be reluctant to perform CPR on heart victims.

The main reasons for reluctance to step in and perform CPR were fear of causing more harm than good (48 per cent) and lacking the skills and knowledge to perform CPR (40 per cent) - even though experts say that the benefits of performing the procedure far outweigh the risks.

There are more than 30,000 out-of-hospital cardiac arrests every year in the UK, and less than one in 10 sufferers survive. But according to the BHF, if survival rates matched those reported in Norway, where CPR is taught more widely, as many as 5,000 lives could be saved.

Every minute without CPR or defibrillation can reduce a person's chance of surviving a cardiac arrest by around ten per cent.

Statistics also show that in the North West only 43 per cent would feel confident giving CPR to a stranger. And just 22 per cent were able to identify the two signs of a cardiac arrest, which are when someone is not breathing or not breathing normally, and that they have collapsed and are unresponsive

To create a nation of lifesavers, the BHF is providing kits for schools which they can use to teach CPR to children over 12 years of age. Kits are free to eligible schools and contain up to 30 re-useable inflatable manikins, kneeling mats, red inflation bags, manual inflation pumps, and cleaning wipes. Instructions on how to use the kits are provided by a DVD so instructors are not required.

The kits can also be purchased by community groups and workplaces for £391 plus VAT.

Simon Gillespie, chief executive of the British Heart Foundation, said: "CPR may be the difference between life and death for hundreds of people every year in the North West who suffer a cardiac arrest. Every second counts, and it simply isn't enough to hope that someone who knows CPR is present.

"We need everyone in the North West to learn this life-saving skill to give them the confidence to step in and give CPR when someone collapses after a cardiac arrest.

"That's why we are urging secondary schools across the UK to apply for our free training kits and help create a Nation of Lifesavers."

David McNally, community engagement & resuscitation manager at NWAS, said: "Cardiac arrest kills people and the power to change this lies within our communities.

"Knowing what to do in an extreme emergency situation cannot be underestimated. CPR skills are so simple to learn and they absolutely do save lives. We are targeting secondary schools because children pick up new skills with ease and can take them into adult life."

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Carers and guests, including West Lancs deputy mayor and mayoress, at the Athena Healthcare activity event held at the Bull & Dog pub in Burscough

# Pub trip serves up fun and friendship for care home pals

RESIDENTS of care homes in West Lancashire and Southport got together for their latest afternoon of fun and friendship at the Bull and Dog Inn in Burscough.

The initiative by the Athena Healthcare Group aims to bring together residents from its homes, along with other people wishing to attend, for friendship and 'meaningful activities'.

They meet monthly at various locations and were joined at the Bull and Dog by Deputy Mayor and Mayoress of West Lancs, Councillor Noel Delaney and Mrs Ann Stubbert.

Athena Group events organiser, Leslie Malone, says they plan to expand the initiative to include more care homes and also welcome any non-resident older people who are lonely and would like to join in and make new friends.

She said: "We are still looking for anyone outside the care homes - especially with the winter coming - to come along and join in. They just have to pick up the phone."

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# Comedy by man behind Rising Damp next show at theatre

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SOUTHPORT Dramatic Club's next play is Wife After Death by Eric Chappell, writer of T.V.'s Rising Damp, whose comedy Theft was a huge hit with Little Theatre audiences last season.

Comedian and national treasure Dave Thursby has died, and it's the day of his funeral. Friends and colleagues, including his widow, his agent and his gag writer, gather to pay their last respects when an unfamiliar mourner arrives bearing revelations.

It soon becomes evident that Dave was not the paragon of virtue that they all thought. As the play unfolds, the skeletons come tumbling out of the cupboard.

One of Eric Chappell's funniest plays, Wife After Death opens on Friday, October 27 and runs until Saturday, November 4 at 7.30pm each evening.

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# Capital's top musicians to perform across area

**A BOLD, young, versatile and virtuosic group of 12 of London's finest and most exciting chamber musicians are to spend two days performing across the region, culminating in a Parbold Douglas Music evening concert in the Auditorium, Parbold Village Hall on Saturday, October 21 at 7.45 pm.**

Though featured artists in Parbold Douglas Music's current season the 12 ensemble will also perform in a series of impromptu events in Wigan, Skelmersdale, Ormskirk and Southport.

Their Saturday programme in the Parbold Auditorium includes some of Classic FM's top hits in its 'Hall of Fame' like Ralph Vaughan Williams Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis, Edward Elgar's Serenade for Strings and Antonio Vivaldi's Four Seasons. This event is specially funded by Arts Council England.

Founded in 2012, the 12 ensemble is a vibrant string orchestra that plays without a conductor.

Their debut CD album of 20th and 21st century British music was released in 2015, financed by online crowdfunding.

The ensemble strives to bring music-making of "exceptional quality" to diverse audiences, and is equally at home performing on a warehouse rooftop or an international concert hall.

During the summer, they have performed in Aldeburgh, Berlin, Hamburg, Oslo, at London's, the King's Place with superstar cellist Leonard Elschenbroich and made a dance-film to be released in late 2017 with dancers from the Royal Ballet.

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12 ensemble

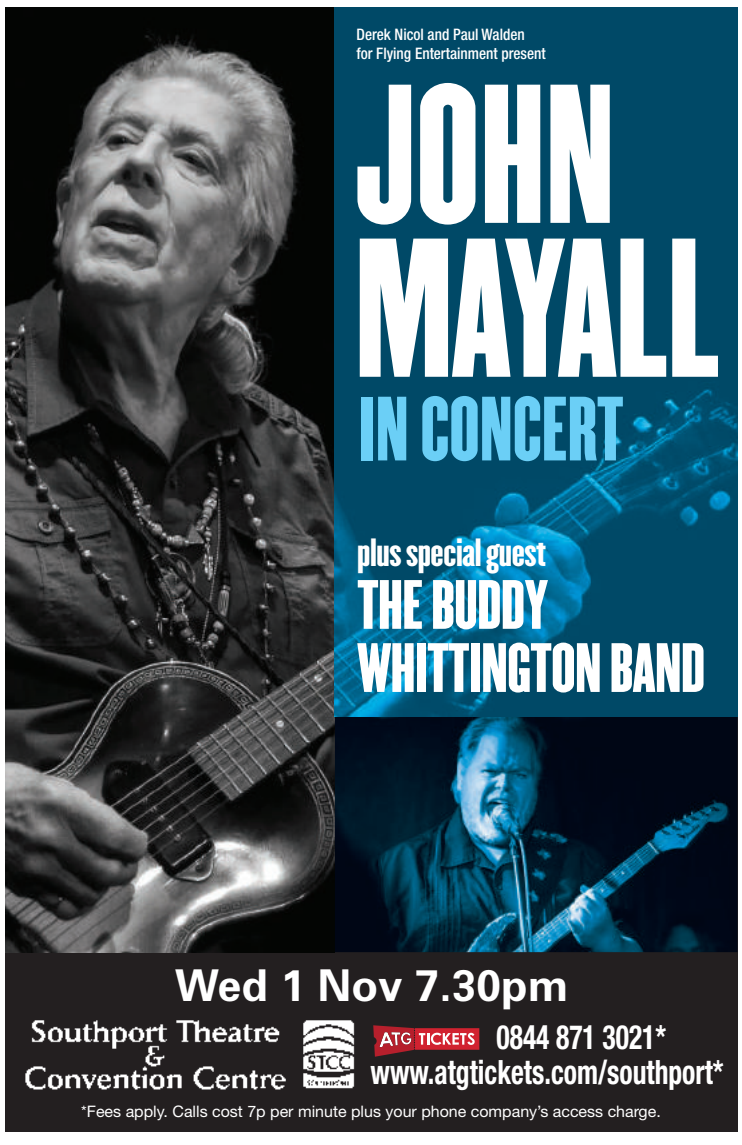
Friday, October 20, the 12 ensemble is faced with a hectic day. After arriving on an early train from London, they will perform in a series of on-the-hoof concerts in the local area.

They will appear in an impromptu performance in Wigan's Grand Arcade at 11.15 a.m. Their next stop is Skelmersdale Concourse Shopping Centre where they will perform just before 1pm. They will then be whisked away to appear in Marks & Spencer, Southport to wow the shoppers from about 2.30 p.m. The group's final appearance is in Booths in Burscough round about tea-time, four o'clock.

For tickets to their concert log on to www.parbolddouglasmusic.org, email: tickets@parbolddouglasmusic.org: and telephone: 01257 498452 (booking answerphone).

Douglas Music has set up a 'Shuttle to the Show' service to offer a subsidised mini-coach service to and from its concerts for members of the audience who wish to enjoy an evening of world–class music without the trouble of driving or do not have access to public transport.

People who want to book the Shuttle, should first book their concert ticket at Parbold Douglas Music's Box Office and then contact the bus control room (Tel: 01704 893373) to arrange the journey. This service is supported by Lancashire County Council. As part of Douglas Music's commitment to the NW community, it has maintained its admission price for students/young persons at £5 for any concert. Douglas Music is supported by the Arts Council, England, Lancashire County Council and West Lancashire Borough Council.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Along with his 60-piece Johann Strauss Orchestra (the largest private orchestra in the world), André has created a global revival in waltz music, staging spectacular extravaganzas.

Having received over 500 Platinum Awards, three Classical Brit Awards for Album of the Year and billions of YouTube views, André is one of the biggest solo male touring artists in the world. Each year his passionate live shows attract more than 600,000 fans and outsell mega artists such as Coldplay, AC/DC and Bruce Springsteen.

André Rieu said: "My concerts are about joy and love! We should make decisions in our lives with our hearts, not our heads. People often ask me 'how do you choose your program?' – the answer is: with my heart. I love Johann Strauss but I am also fascinated by Andrew Lloyd Webber or Bruce Springsteen. We should stop limiting ourselves with categories and boundaries – not just in terms of music but in our lives in general."

Andre Rieu

On stage André's musical prowess, and passion aim to make a magical spectacle.

His romantic and fun shows are the ones where people regularly jump to their feet and dance in the aisles.

It's not uncommon to see devoted UK fans laughing, weeping, clapping, dancing and embracing when they listen to the beautiful waltzes, film scores, spirituals, musicals, folk songs and Christmas carols.

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To book tickets go to www.echoarena.com/andrerieu

ADVERTISING FEATURE

Christmas is all about spending time with our loved ones and catching up with family, friends and colleagues. It's a time when we are all in high spirits and are looking for a great night out to celebrate with those closest to us.

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The Champion has put together this feature to help you find the best venue for your event. Our local restaurants, bars and hotels have a fantastic range of choices from the most amazing meals to fantastic entertainment. You will also notice that every budget is catered for so there is really no excuse NOT to have fun this Christmas. Just sit back, read on, pick up the phone and book now, because the longer you leave it the less likely you will be able to choose the date and time that suits you. And then get ready for the best party ever!

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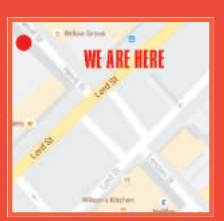


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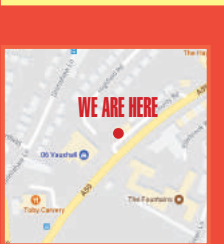


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## December

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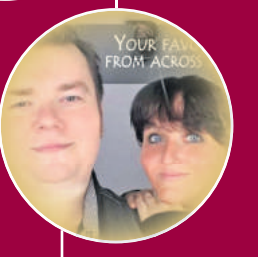

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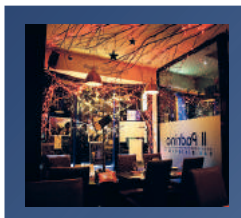

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## HOBBIES

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**DE-LONGHI** 3kw fan heater, little used. Very clean - white/grey colour. See Argos cat, page 866(item 4) for similar. Ex con £12 07855222552

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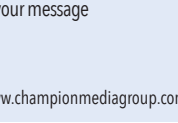
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(Make Request).

There are none that can withstand your powers. Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 Times).

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times).

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Instead of a gift,
A Prayer,
To 'our' Pop, we thought the world of and miss beyond compare.
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Heather, Diane, Calum, Katrina, Graham and Peter
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Grandad 'Mac'
Our Hero
With an ache in our hearts we whisper low,
Happy Birthday Grandad we miss you so.
Scott, Kimberley, Alisha, Hayden, Kyle and
Great Grandchildren Iyla-Mae and Freddie
xxxxxxx

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

### HARRISON BARBARA ALICE

**29th September**

**Sadly Missed**

Trevor, Lorraine, Sharon, Charlotte and Sophie would like to thank all the family, friends and neighbours for their kind wishes of sympathy and condolence sent during the recent passing of Trevor's wife Barbara. These messages gave much support & comfort. Donations in Barbara's memory can be made to Diabetes UK via H. Hardman & Co, Elizabeth House, 57a, Cottage Lane Ormskirk.

### PREECE LES

**26th October 2015**

Another Year has come and your still far away
You are always in our Hearts each and every Day
Love and Miss you
Les
Audrey, Jean and Family

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

### ROBERTS JEAN MARGARET

Ellis and the family would like to express their sincere thanks to relatives, friends and neighbours for their kindness and support following their recent sad loss and for the generous donations to Bloodwise. Special thanks to the fantastic District Nursing Team. Thanks also to Sandra Howles for the beautiful service and to the Co-op Funeral Directors for the dignified funeral arrangements.

### SMITH FRED SUMNER

Fred's family would like to thank all relatives, his many friends and colleagues for the support received following their recent sad loss. Thank you for all the generous donations received for Cancer Research UK given in Fred's memory. Heartfelt thanks to the HDU at Southport Hospital for the care given to Fred. Sincere appreciation is offered to the members of Emmanuel Parish Church and Rev. Philip Green for the kind words and support and to the ladies of the church hall for their generous and kind hospitality. Gratitude to Derek Crawford and the team at Howard's Funeral Directors for the professional and dignified funeral arrangements.

### GORNALL JOHN JOSEPH

**Aged 80 years**

Dorita, Serena and Davinia would like to thank relatives, friends and neighbours for their messages of sympathy, cards of condolence, flowers, support and donations. Thank you to the Nurses at Queenscourt Hospice in Southport and the District Nurses who were so kind in their help in caring for John at home. Father Michael Barrett, for his support and beautiful service and Neal Buckley for his dignified funeral arrangements. John will be greatly missed but his kindness and gentleness lives on as a legacy and an example to all.

## IN MEMORIAM

### RYAN JAMES LAWRENCE (JIMMY RYAN)

**18th October 2016**

Only feels like yesterday, but it's 1 year today since the angels came calling to take you away.
Husband, Dad, Grandad, Great-Grandad & friend
That's what you were to us right till the end. Loving, caring, funny, strong. As perfect in real life and also in song. So Keep watching over us from up in that cloud.
You were brave till the end you made us so proud. Until we all meet again, we just want you to know.
We can feel you beside us wherever we go.
From your loving wife Theresa , your sons Stephen, Gary, Mark and your daughter Sharon, your Grandchildren and Great-Grandchildren

### BARBARA COONEY

**Passed away 22/10/2013**

Wonderful memories of one so dear,
Treasured still with a love sincere;
In our hearts she is living yet,
We loved her too dearly to forget.
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### VAUGHAN Ronald (Ron)

**21.10.04**

Loved and Deeply Missed

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## THANKS

### BARBARA & JOE WYNN

**Would like to thank family and friends for their kind gifts and cards which made our golden wedding so special.**

**7th October 2017**

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## DEATHS

### LONG CYNTHIA HELEN (CYN)

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**Aged 81 years.**

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### TINSLEY MARION

**Passed away on Monday 9th October**
**Aged 86 years**

Wife of Geoff Tinsley, Mother of Alec and Debbie, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. After a courageous, battle with Motor Neurone Disease. Marion refused to allow this horrible disease to dictate her life and died peacefully in her home, in her own way and in her own time, with her family by her side. If desired, donations in Marion's memory may be made to either the MND Association research or Queenscourt Hospice, Southport.

### EDWARDS EMILY GLADYS

**7th October 2017**
**in Hospital**
**aged 84 years**
**of Skelmersdale**

The dearly loved Wife of Russell, loving Mum of Brenda, Annette, Russell, Edna and Alan, devoted Nan to all her Grandchildren and little nan to all her Great-Grandchildren. Funeral Service and Interment at St Paul's Church, Skelmersdale on Wednesday 18th October 2017 at 2:00pm. Family flowers only please, donations if desired for North West Cancer Research. All enquiries to Melanie Hardman at H. Hardman & Co., Independent Family Funeral Directors of Skelmersdale, Ormskirk & Scarisbrick. Tel: 01695 722122/720012

### LUMBY MICHAEL

**16th October, 2017**

Peacefully aged 70 years. Dear son of the late Jean and Austin, loving Brother to Sue, Peter and the never forgotten late John. Will also be sadly missed by Johnny, Richard, Charlotte, Cristina and Emily. For funeral arrangements, please contact MLS Funeral Directors, 20 Moss Delph Lane (01695 424888). Family flowers only. Donations if desired are being gratefully received by the family for The Southport Deaf Club.

### EDWARDS EMILY

**7th October 2017**

Auntie Em
You are out of your suffering now.
We will miss and love you always.
Broken hearted Nephew Steve, Niece Barb, Mal, Great Nieces and Nephews Michelle, Jamie, Shaun and Kelly. Great Great Nephews Kallen, Codie and Kian.
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### CARTER LAURA

**On 10th October 2017**
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**Aged 37 years**

Loving partner of Neil, devoted Mum of Arne, cherished Nanny of Lillie, much loved Daughter, Grandaughter, Sister, Auntie and a dear friend to many. Will be sadly missed by all her family and friends. Funeral service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 20th October at 2.30pm. Family flowers only please by request. Donations if desired for Queenscourt Hospice. It has been requested by the family no black funeral attire be worn and all to be colourful clothing. All enquiries Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel: 01695 559868

### HALL JACK NORMAN

**On 9th October 2017**
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**Aged 95 years**

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### EDWARDS EMILY (EM)

**7th October 2017**

I hold you close within my heart
and there you will remain
to walk with me through my life until we meet again.

Peace is yours now
Em

Broken hearted Sister Moo and Brother John

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### PLANT BETTY

**8th October 2017**
**Aged 80 years**

Loving Wife of the late James. Much loved Mum of Julie, dear Sister of Beryl and Mavis. Betty will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. Service at Southport Crematorium on Monday 23rd October at 12:00 noon. Family flowers only please, but if desired donations are being gratefully received for Alzheimers Society. Donations and enquires to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

### CADDICK DIANA (Nee Voce)

**27 September 2017**
**Aged 74 years**

Beloved lifelong Wife and Partner of Ray, much loved Sister of John and Aunt to her Nieces Jade and Adele. Will be greatly missed by her family and friends and all who knew her. Rest in peace dear Diana. Service and cremation at Thornton Crematorium on Thursday 19th October 2017 at 1.20pm. Family flowers only please but if desired donations to Woodlands Hospice or Freshfield Animal Rescue c/o H. Leslie Humphreys, 69 Liverpool Road, Crosby L23 5SE. 0151 924 4805. At the request of Diana can you all wear bright clothes.

### WRIGHT DAVID THOMAS (Dave)

**Passed away suddenly on 15th October 2017**
**Aged 79 years**
**of Ormskirk**

Much loved Husband of Wyn, dearly loved Dad of Sarah, Paul and Mark, dear Father-In-Law of Paul, Nicky and Shelley, loving Grandad of Amy, Jenna, Jessica, Sophia, Gabriel and Jude. Funeral Mass and interment at St Annes R.C Church, Ormskirk on Tuesday 24th October 2017 at 12 noon, family flowers only by request but donations if so desired for L.H.C.H Charity or St Annes Roof Appeal. Donations and further enquiries please to Lisa Hunter MLS Independent Funeral Directors, 20 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton Tel: 01695 424888

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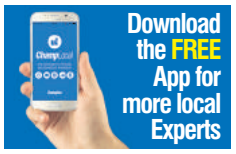



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**(CARR HOUSE LANE, WRIGHTINGTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)**
**(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Carr House Lane, Wrightington from outside Tan Pit Farm, Carr House Lane to 300 metres north of Tan Pit Farm, Carr House Lane, Wrightington.

2. The prohibition will be operative from 0930 hours until 1530 hours on Monday 30th October 2017 or until completion of the works within this period.

3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Carr House Lane - B5250 Wood Lane - Withington Lane - Chisnall Lane - Carr House Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow utility works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager
Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701

[Ref: HRiT/9098/SN]

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**
**Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015**
**NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 15 PUBLICATION FOR APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**
**PLANNING APPLICATION NO - LCC/2017/0080**
**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT - ERECTION OF SINGLE STOREY OFFICE BUILDING AT UNIT 9A ABBEY LANE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, ABBEY LANE, BURSCOUGH**

I give notice that Ormskirk Skip Recycling Ltd is applying to the Lancashire County Council for the above development.

Members of the public may inspect copies of the application, plans and documents at Lancashire County Council, Development Management Group, County Hall, PO Box 100, Preston, PR1 0LD or at the Planning Department, West Lancashire Borough Council, Council Offices, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, during normal office hours until 9 November 2017.The application can also be viewed on the County Council's website **planningregister.lancashire.gov.uk**

Anyone who wishes to make representations about this application should write to the County Council by 9 November 2017 at the above address, via email DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk or via 'Have your Say' on the County Council's website.

Information regarding the decision will be available on the website within 5 working days of the decision. Details on how to speak at the Development Control Committee are also available on the web page

Andy Mullaney, Head of Service for Planning and Environment
On Behalf of Lancashire County Council
Date: 19 October 2017

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**West Lancashire Borough Council**
**Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15**

**APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

Application No: 2017/0970/COU Part change of use of existing building from Class B1 use with ancillary warehouse to Class B2 and B8 to facilitate fruit sauce, soup, non-dairy yoghurt and other confectionary manufacturing at Degrave House, J4 Technology Park, Maple View, Whitemoss Business Park, Skelmersdale.

**APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING**

Application No: 2017/0519/FUL Creation of hardstanding and repair to brick wall (retrospective) at 38 Prescot Road, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2017/0888/COU Provision of outdoor seating area at The Market Cross, 26 Church Street, Ormskirk.
Application No: 2017/0938/COU Change of use from a former Post Office to a Cafe at 5 The Common, Parbold
Application No: 2017/0997/FUL Replacement of the existing slate roof at 8 Manor House Close, Rufford.
Application No: 2017/1015/FUL Two storey side extension to existing nursery building to create a ground floor staff room/meeting room and first floor quiet area for the under two year olds at Munchkins Village Nursery, 31 Junction Lane, Burscough.

The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development
In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 18th October 2017
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT969

**NOTICE OF PROPOSAL**
**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**
**LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**
**(VARIOUS ROADS, CHORLEY, FYLDE, PENDLE, PRESTON, ROSSENDALE, SOUTH RIBBLE, WEST LANCASHIRE AND WYRE BOROUGHS) (REVOCATION, 30MPH, 40MPH, 50MPH AND DE-RESTRICTED ROAD (AUGUST NO1)) SPEED LIMIT ORDER 201***

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Lancashire County Council propose to make the above Speed Limit Order under Sections 83(2) and 84 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the **Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to:
1) Revoke:
a) The "Lancashire County Council (A675 Hoghton Lane, Hoghton/Walton-le-Dale and Station Road, Hoghton, Chorley Borough and South Ribble Borough) (50mph and 30mph Speed Limits) Order 1993" insofar as it relates to item 1 of the Schedule;
b) The "Lancashire County Council (A675 Hoghton Lane, Hoghton, Chorley Borough) (50mph Speed Limit) Order 2008" insofar as it relates to item i) of the Schedule;
c) The "Lancashire County Council (Speed Limit Management) (Various Roads, Chorley Borough Area) (Part Revocation, 40 and 50 mph Speed Limit) (No 1) Order 2010" insofar as it relates to A5106 Wigan Lane, Heath Charnock of Schedule 2, and Wigan Lane, Heath Charnock of Schedule 3;
d) The "Lancashire County Council (A59 Liverpool Road and Saunders Lane, Hutton, South Ribble Borough) (Revocation, Part Revocation, Restricted Road 30 mph, Part Time 30 mph and 40 mph Speed Limit) Order 2013" insofar as it relates to Article 5;
e) The "Lancashire County Council (Various Roads, Various Locations, Fylde Borough, Lancaster City and Wyre Borough) (Revocation, Restricted Road, 30, 40 and 50 mph Speed Limits) Order 2013" insofar as it relates to item c) of Schedule 5;
f) The "The County Council of Lancaster (Restricted Roads) (No.11) Order 1970" insofar as it relates to Shard Lane, Green Meadow Lane, Broad Pool Lane, Carr Lane, from a point 150 yards south-west of its junction with Marsh Lane in a general north-easterly direction to a point 175 yards north of its junction with Carr Road;
g) The "The County Council of Lancaster (Restricted Roads) (No.3) Order 1972" insofar as it relates to Mythop Road, from its junction with Singleton Road to a point 175 yards south-west of its junction with Church Road;
h) The "Lancashire County Council (Lea Lane/Deepdale Lane, Lea Town, Preston City)
(20mph Speed Limit) Order 2008" insofar as it relates to item i) of the Schedule;
i) The "Lancashire County Council (Maltkiln Lane and Green Lane, Bispham, West Lancashire Borough) (30mph Speed Limit) Order 2009" in full.
2) Introduce a 30mph Speed Limit on the following lengths of road:
a) Green Lane (C171), Bispham, from its junction with Maltkiln Lane (C172), to a point 156 metres west of the centreline of C172. Maltkiln Lane;
b) Maltkiln Lane (C172), Bispham, from a point approximately 210 metres north of the centre line of Green Lane (C171), to a point approximately 384 metres south east of the centre line of Green Lane (C171).
3) Introduce a 40mph Speed Limit on the following lengths of road:
a) Buckholes Lane (C244), Wheelton, from a point 123 metres south-east of the centreline of Jenny Lane (U5940), to a point 410 metres north-west of the centreline of Harbour Lane (U5957);
b) Moss Lane (U5801), Whittle-le-Woods, from a point 144.5 metres south-west of the centreline of Dark Lane (U5799) to a point 47 metres south-east of the centreline of Springside Gardens (X1980);
c) Hoghton Lane (A675), Hoghton, from a point 141 metres south-east of the centreline of Bells Lane (U13027) to a point 104 metres south-east of the centreline of Chapel Lane (U9063);
d) Wigan Lane (A5106), Heath Charnock, Coppull, from a point 12 metres west of the centreline of Bolton Road (A6) to a point 500 metres south of the centreline of Grundys Lane (X182);
e) Lea Lane (C298), Lea Town, Preston, from its junction with Deepdale Lane (C298) to its junction with Sidgreaves Lane (C330);
f) Liverpool Road (A59), Hutton, Preston, from a point 20 metres south-west of the centreline of Howick Moor Lane (U13759) to its junction with Longton Bypass (A59) including the roundabout;
g) Kirkham Road (C270), Weeton-with-Preese, from a point 240 metres east of the centreline of Singleton Road (B5260) to it junction with Weeton Road (C270);
h) Weeton Road (C270), Medlar-with-Weeton, from its junction with Singleton Road (B5260) to its junction with Kirkham Bypass (A585);
i) Dark Lane (U5799), Whittle-le-Woods, from a point 3 metres from the centreline of Town Lane (C220) in a south-westerly direction to a point 19.5 metres north-east of the centreline of Spring Mews (U2068);
j) Wood Lane (A56), Edenfield, from the County boundary with the Metropolitan Borough of Bury for a distance of 133 metres in a westerly direction;
k) High Street (C170), Mawdsley, from a point approximately 70 metres south west of the centre line of its junction with Smithy Lane (C190) to its junction with Jay Bank (C170);
l) Jay Bank (C170), Mawdsley, from its Junction with High Street (C170) to its junction with Maltkiln Lane (C172);
m) Maltkiln Lane (C172), Bispham, from its junction with Jay Bank (C170) to a point approximately 210 metres north of the centre line of Green Lane (C171);
n) Maltkiln Lane (C172), Bispham, from a point approximately 384 metres south east of the centre line of Green Lane (C171) to a point 107 metres west of the centreline of Chorley Road (C173).
4) Introduce a 50mph Speed Limit on the following lengths of road:
a) Hoghton Lane (A675), Hoghton, from a point 104 metres south-east of the centreline of Chapel Lane (U9063) in a south-easterly, then easterly direction to a point 179 metres east of the centreline of Sandy Lane (B5256);
b) Longton Bypass (A59), Hutton, from a point 496 metres north of the centreline of Chapel Lane (U9063) to its junction with Liverpool Road (A59);
c) Carr Lane (A588), Hambleton, from a point 280 metres north of the centreline of Carr Road (X7276), in a northerly direction to a point 54 metres south of the centreline of Carr End Lane (C402).
5) Introduce de-restricted road status (national speed limit will apply) on Gisburn Road (A682), Blacko, from a point 115 metres north-west of the centreline of Springfield (U50268), in a northbound direction to a point 34 metres north-east of the centreline of Wheathead Lane (C583).

A copy of the draft Order and associated documents for proposing to make the Order may be inspected during normal office hours at the offices of Chorley Borough Council, Town Hall, Chorley, PR7 1DP, and at the offices of Fylde Borough Council, Town Hall, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1LW, and at the offices of Pendle Borough Council, No1 Market Street, Nelson, Lancs, BB9 9LU, and at the offices of Preston City Council, PO Box 10, Town Hall, Lancaster Road, Preston, PR1 2RL, and at the offices of Rossendale Borough Council - One Stop Shop, The Business Centre, Futures Park, Newchurch Road, Bacup, OL13 0BB, and at the offices of South Ribble Borough Council, Civic Centre, West Paddock, Leyland, PR25 1DH, and at the offices of West Lancashire Borough Council, PO Box 16, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, L39 2DF, and at the offices of Wyre Borough Council, Civic Centre, Breck Road, Poulton-le-Fylde, FY6 7PU and at the offices of The Director of Governance Finance & Public Services, Lancashire County Council, Christ Church Precinct, County Hall, Preston PR1 8XJ, and on Lancashire County Councils Website http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/roads/roadworks-and-traffic-regulation-orders/permanent.aspx. Any representations or objections (specifying the grounds on which they are made) relating to the proposal must be made in writing and should be sent to The Director of Governance, Finance & Public Services, Lancashire County Council, P O Box 78, County Hall, Preston PR1 8XJ or by e-mail to tro-consultation@lancashire.gov.uk **quoting ref:LSG4\894.4964\AFR** before the 17 November 2017.

**Ian Young, Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services**
**18 October 2017**

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**
**Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015**
**NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 15 PUBLICITY FOR APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**
**PLANNING APPLICATION NO - LCC/2017/0079**
**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT - ISTALLATION OF A RISING MAIN SEWER PIPE, PUMPING STATIONAND ANCILLARY PUMP FOR DISCHARGE OF WASTE EFFLUENCE AT WHITEMOSS HORTICULTURE, NORTH PERIMETER ROAD, KNOWSLEY INDUSTRIAL PARK, KIRKBY**

I give notice that Bord na Mona is applying to the Lancashire County Council for the above development.

The proposed development is within greenbelt

Members of the public may inspect copies of the application, plans and documents at Lancashire County Council, Development Management Group, County Hall, PO Box 100, Preston, PR1 0LD or at the Planning Department, West Lancashire Borough Council, Council Offices, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, during normal office hours until 8 November 2017.The application can also be viewed on the County Council's website **planningregister.lancashire.gov.uk**

Anyone who wishes to make representations about this application should write to the County Council by 8 November 2017 at the above address, via email DevCon@lancashire.gov.uk or via 'Have your Say' on the County Council's website.

Information regarding the decision will be available on the website within 5 working days of the decision. Details on how to speak at the Development Control Committee are also available on the web page

Andy Mullaney, Head of Service for Planning and Environment
On Behalf of Lancashire County Council
Date: 18 October 2017

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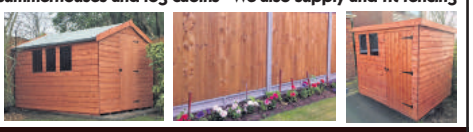

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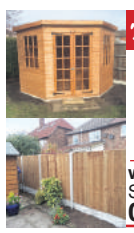

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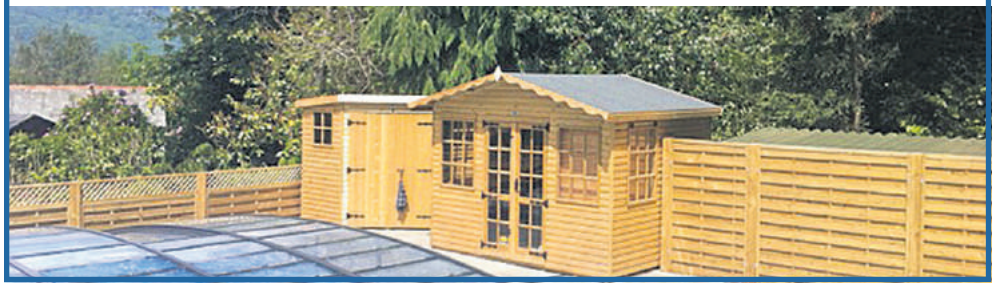

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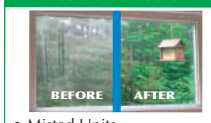

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Just think about all those cars over the years that have offered a 9000 Turbo-esque premise but never really taken off (no jet fighter puns intended). The Lexus IS-F, MG ZT260, Mazda6 MPS, Volvo S60R, Chrysler 300C, Volkswagen Passat W8, for instance. For all their leather seats, ample equipment levels and muted growls from their exhausts none have ever really managed to convincingly win over the anything-but-a-blummin'-BMW brigade. In fact you could argue that Saab itself never nailed it either, given the Swedes ran out of cash five years ago. But that isn't going to stop Kia giving it their best shot anyway. Their new BMW-baiter arrives here in January and it's already onto a winner because it has a cool name; it might not be posh and German, but you can at least tell your mates that you drive a Stinger. Which it makes it sound like an American muscle car.

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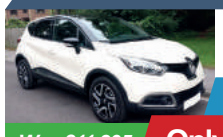

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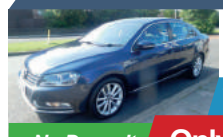

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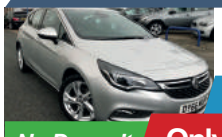

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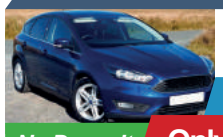

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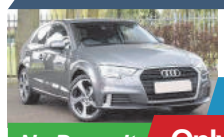

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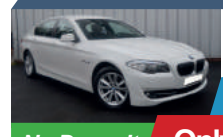

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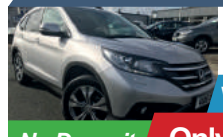

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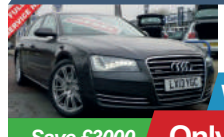

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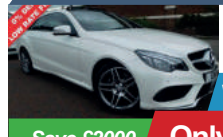

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# Five goal thriller gives Powell first win as boss

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

**Skelmersdale United 3**
**Ramsbottom United** 2

**SKELMERSDALE United had to fight back twice to win a five goal thriller and give a first victory to new manager Dave Powell.**

The star of the show at Stormy Corner was centre-forward Andy Owens, scoring two and setting up the other for Skem.

The game burst into life in the 16th minute with three goals in the next five minutes.

Ramsbottom were awarded a free-kick some thirty yards from goal in a central position, Wright swung his well practised left boot and sent the ball into the heart of the Skem defence, Sam Heathcote ran onto the ball completely unmarked dived forwards and directed a header past a helpless Sims to put Ramsbottom 1-0 up.

It didn't take Skem long to even things up again. On 19 minutes Owens went to ground under a clumsy challenge about twenty yards out, he took the free-kick himself and the ball was blocked by a defender, however, referee Carl Rooney pointed to the penalty spot, the offence handball. Up stepped Owens and he belted the ball into the top corner of the net.

In the 21st minute Ramsbottom restored their lead and former FC United of Manchester hero Wright again showed just why he accumulated 400 appearances for The Rebels.

A ball into the Skem area was half cleared and went to Wright on the left, he played the ball low into the area, Greg Daniels (another ex FC United player) controlled the ball turned and drove it low into the Skelmersdale net to make it 2-1 to Ramsbottom.

Owens scores from the penalty spot. Picture by John Driscoll

The visitors pushed on for a while after their second goal and might have had a third when goalkeeper Sims left his area and miss kicked, the ball went up into the air but Daniels header from 22 yards bounced wide of the goal.

About five minutes before the interval Skelmersdale grabbed their second equaliser. The ball was played up to Owens who brought it down and looked to shoot, with those avenues blocked he played the ball tidily into the path of Callum Mahoney and he celebrated his return to Stormy Corner with a low shot under goalkeeper Danny Taberner.

The second-half was a tight affair and chances were few and far between, Ramsbottom got one early on when Phil Dean was put in, but keeper Sims came to the rescue advancing quickly and saving from the winger before he could get any kind of serious attempt in.

For Skem, Owens got the ball into the net, though he had pushed goalkeeper Taberner in the process.

With ten minutes to go, Alaster Redmayne ran at the Ramsbottom defence and was tripped just before he reached the penalty area, Owens lined up to take the free-kick and his left-foot curler left Taberner a statue as it entered the top corner of the net for the winner.

Ramsbottom went onto the attack and apart from a toe poke from Daniels that went around the far post Skelmersdale held on well, they put in a much improved performance and had the edge virtue of the fact that they finished better in front of goal. Manager Dave Powell is building a footballing side that work well for each other, this will victory will do plenty for their confidence.

# Battling Linnets narrowly beaten by high flyers

Burscough 0
Runcorn Linnets 1

**BURSCOUGH battled hard but came away on the receiving end of a narrow loss against high flying Runcorn Linnets.**

**The visitors arrived beaten in only one league encounter this season and already the scorers of 43 league goals.**

**It was no surprise that Runcorn dominated the early exchanges and Burscough could have been two goals down inside 20 minutes, but they kept themselves in the game.**

**New goalkeeper Josh Samberg saved from a Stuart Wellstead header then saved again from Freddie Potter's header, after a cross from Adam Jones, Potter put a shot wide from a good position.**

**On 20 minutes Wellstead came closest but at the same time wasted the best chance, Paul Shanley's cross came to him completely unmarked in a central position with only keeper Samberg between him and a goal, he headed against the crossbar. Burscough breathed again and as it turned out they had weathered the worst of the worst of the Runcorn pressure.**

**Burscough started to show confidence and on 22 minutes Prince Ekpolo saw his chip saved by Runcorn goalkeeper Matt Holmes.**

**Burscough pushed on and after a quickly taken free-kick by Josh Dunroe Liam Diggle chased the ball down the middle and keeper Holmes had to leave his area to head the ball to safety, then Ekpolo fired over the bar after Adam Gilchrist and Hyan Seol set him up and did the same after a head down from Diggle.**

**Soon after the break, Samberg saved from a Potter shot and down the Crabtree Lane end Cummings went on a storming run that brought about another loud penalty appeal that was again ignored by the referee.**

**The goal arrived on 53 minutes when a Burscough attack broke down and they were left a bit exposed at the back. Runcorn sent the ball down the left-wing where Potter took possession and lifted the ball into the six yard box for substitute Mitchell Bryant to head home at the end of a run.**

**Burscough went on the attack but Runcorn counter-attacked dangerously, on one such move Samberg saved twice, initially from Potter's shot then from Michael Simpson's rebound attempt.**

**Burscough's weakness has been scoring goals, they have only scored 14 league goals all season, they pushed Runcorn onto the defensive but lacked the spark to open up a defence and grab an equaliser.**

**Will Threlkeld saw a shot blocked and Diggle foraged away, balls were lifted into the penalty area but Runcorn held firm, much to Burscough's frustration.**

**Burscough manager Dave Sutton said: "Considering the changes we had to make, two young lads at full back and a make shift centre of defence it was a battle.**

**"You can see why they are near the top of the table but we had two great chances and at half-time could have gone in two goals up. It was unfortunate they scored a goal and we couldn't get one back in the end. It was a good game to watch."**

**Speaking about the FA Vase game this Saturday at Dunston UTS Sutton added: "I am looking forward to it, we will have four players to come back, and we will be a decent side for it."**

**Dunston sit in third place in the Northern League.**

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# 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT

# MARTLAND MILL

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## THE STORY SO FAR...

The story first began when Andy & Marie MacGregor purchased the mill to accommodate their Telecoms business, and in doing so renovated each floor of the building to create fully service managed offices for a range of SMEs

**2007:** The Telecoms business Branded Telecoms ltd was the very first tenant based on the top floor.

**2008:** The refurbishments for the first eight offices situated on the first floor were completed, and our first tenants Beaumont & Co (Accountants) moved into one of these offices, we are happy to say Beaumont & Co are still with us today and have since rented an additional office.

**2009:** Six more offices situated on the ground floor were completely re modelled and refurbished ready for our next tenants to move into.

**2010:** This year saw the installation of Martland Mill's own First line Fibre and WIFI Internet Service.

**2011:** The work commenced on the seven offices based in the Annexe. At the same time as the other refurbishments for the ground floor and the reception got under way.

**2012:** Our tenants were provided with access to inclusive calls via our new fully Integrated Telephone & Internet System.

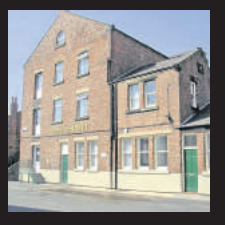
**2014:** A further huge investment was made to install the 100 x100 Meg biggest and fastest Fibre Connection, this amazing service is the only one in existence in Burscough.

**2015:** As yet more tenants moved into the newly refurbished offices Martland Mill joined forces with the Burscough Outreach Trust partnered with Priory Science College opening up its doors to the neighbouring schools to allow the local school children to be shown around the building and given a talk on the history of The Mill along with a chat about all of the different companies that now rent office space in the Mill, and to demonstrate the range and diversity of the businesses within Burscough Village..

**2016:** Further upgrades to The Mill continued as all of the lights in The Mill were changed over to LED as part of our investment in keeping the Mill in line with the 'go green' campaign.

**2017:** More investments and updates were made and the latest internet security fire walls have been installed. Additional investment in new flooring throughout the building was also installed along with three new kitchens being fitted out.

### OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY



There are currently 24 independent businesses operating from Martland Mill, with tenants representing a mix of businesses and professions, including Accountants, IFA's, Mortgage Brokers, Solicitors, Stationary Suppliers and Builders. Martland Mill is set in the heart of Burscough and enjoys a great business community within the managed offices. Martland Mill continues to go from strength to strength and we pride ourselves on our great community spirit within The Mill.

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### SUE SMITH RECEPTIONIST/ FACILITIES MANAGER

Martland Mill reception is headed up by Sue Smith, Sue has a wealth of experience in the business sector and she is extremely dedicated and passionate about delivering outstanding customer service. Sue was well placed to look after all of the needs of the tenants and manage the various facilities required to run the Mill's day to day requirements. Sue is a cornerstone of the business, where most Serviced Offices do not host a reception facility it was very clear early on that the tenants in the Mill really appreciated this great service and in Sue they have someone who takes customer care to the next level with an old-fashioned approach that is all about quality, service and honesty. Sue's customer service expertise and professional knowledge of dealing with the public is proven day by day. As part of her busy role Sue keeps diaries for the tenants and manages reservations for our boardroom. Each and every visitor to the Mill is greeted with a smile, and Sue always goes the extra mile for anyone who needs assistance. One of our tenants has quoted:

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